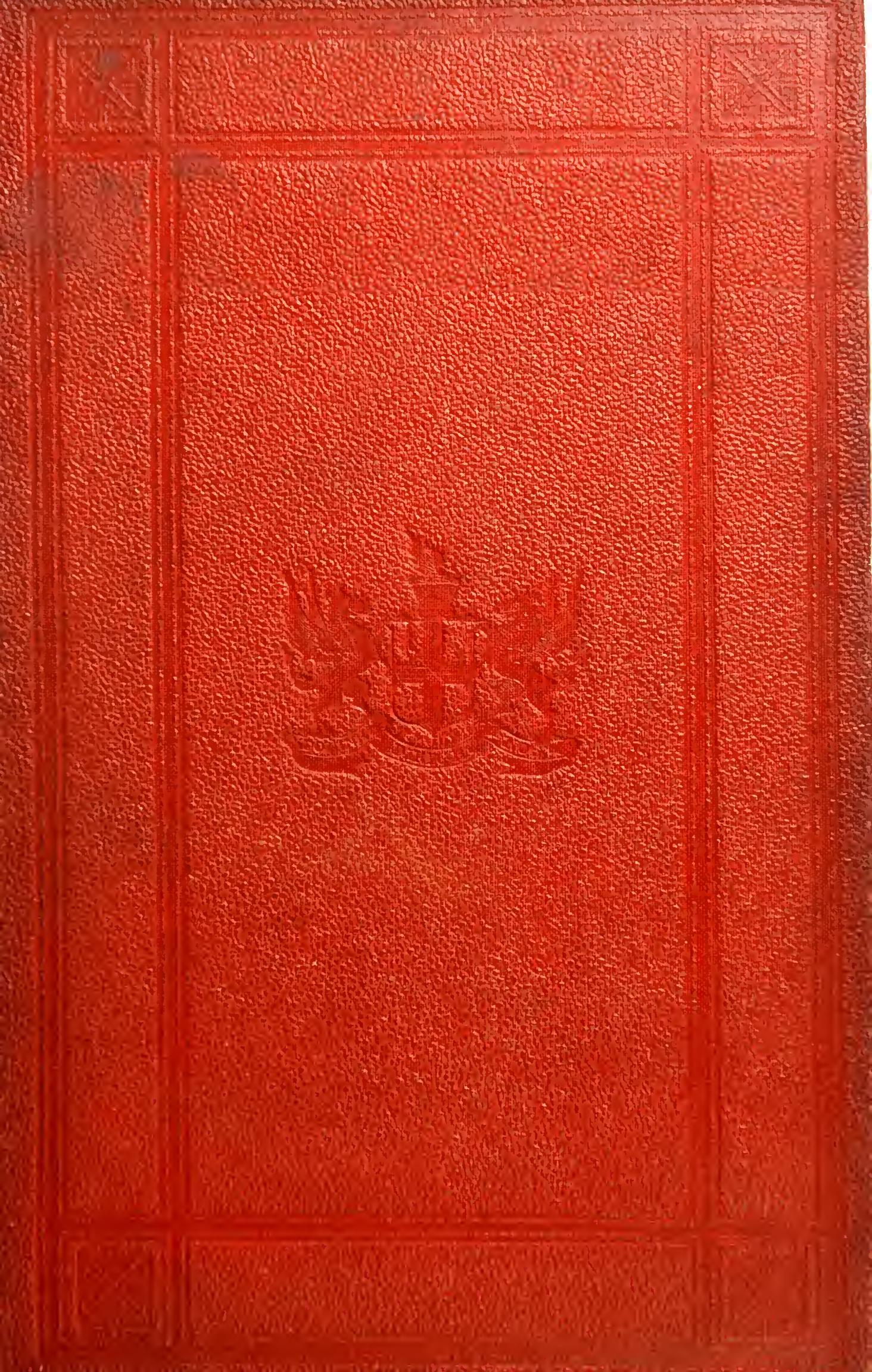

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INTRODUCTION.

In the year 1834, the Court of Common Council appointed a Committee to inquire into the relations of the City to the Royal Hospitals, and as one of the results of the labours of that Committee, a book called "Memoranda, References, and Documents relating to the Royal Hospitals of the City of London," prepared under the direction of the Committee by Mr. J. F. Firth, a clerk in the Town Clerk's Office, was printed and published in the year 1836.

Up to that time no authentic account of the establishment of those great and valuable institutions had appeared, and the Charity Commissioners, in their elaborate report upon them, acknowledge how largely they were indebted to Mr. Firth's work.

In the year 1862, the extension of the South-Eastern Railway to Charing Cross having caused the destruction of St. Thomas's Hospital, then standing at the foot of London Bridge, the inhabitants of Southwark invoked the assistance of the Corporation of London in their struggle against its removal from the neighbourhood of the ancient site. This assistance being accorded by the unanimous vote of a Special Court of Common Council, and the Governors of St. Thomas's Hospital having, in conjunction with the Government and the Metropolitan Board of Works, concluded an agreement for rebuilding the Hospital at Stangate, a contest necessarily arose before the Court of Chancery, with whom the approbation of the site finally rested under "The St. Thomas's Hospital Act, 1862."

For the purposes of this contest a large amount of time was

bestowed in searching the records of the Corporation, the public records at the Rolls Office, the Privy Council, and elsewhere, to obtain information as to the foundation of that hospital, and the history of that and the other hospitals to the present time; and a quantity of most interesting matter was in consequence discovered (beginning with the original negotiations of the City for the purchase of St. Thomas's Hospital) which was not in Mr. Firth's book, and the greater part of which seems not to have been known to the Charity Commissioners, or indeed at all.

The contest being over, it was represented to the Library Committee that it would be matter of regret if this collection of valuable historical documents should be, as it were, buried among law papers in the City Solicitor's Office; and they, concurring in that opinion, reported the matter to the Common Council, and that Court authorized the printing of the most interesting portion as a supplement to Mr. Firth's book.

In doing this, there is no desire to depreciate his services. When he compiled the "Memoranda," the records of the Corporation were but very imperfectly and partially indexed. The labour of a quarter of a century has since been uninterruptedly devoted to them by the late Librarian of the Corporation, Mr. Alchin; and his indexes most materially assisted in the discovery of the facts now published.

It is to be desired that one day the two books may be blended together.

T. J. N.

GUILDHALL, 1867.

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ACT OF COMMON COUNCIL.

*29th Sept., 2 Ed. 6th.**

Commune Concilium tentium die Sabbati, viz. xxix° die Septembris, et in festo Sancti Mich[l] Archangeli, anno regni Regis Edwardi Dei Gratia Sexti, etc., secundo.

Item, To thentent that suche good and necessarye ordres, rules, and constitucions as hytherto with gret industrye, studye, and paynes have beyne devysyd, made, and sett furthe by suche wurshipful Aldermen and Commoners of this Cittye as have hadd the surveye, rule, and governaunce of the house of the poore in *West Smithefeld*, in the suburbes of the seyd cytye, for the observacion or mayntenaunce and contynuance of good and godlye rule, order, and lyvinge within the seyd house, and for the governaunce and preservacion of the same house, and of the landes and tenementtes, renttes, revenues, goodes, and catalls thereunto belonginge, maye allwayes from hensfurthe be dulye, justlye, and fyrmelye observyd and kept, and putt in due execucion without the withall lawes and ordenaunces, be they never so good or perfect, baryn, ded, and vayne, yt ys therfore orderryd, enactyd, and establyshed by the Lorde Mayer, Aldermen, and Commens of this present Comen Counsayll assemblyd, and by the authorytye of the same, that four

* This act of Common Council is referred to in Mr. Firth's "Memoranda," as existing in Liber Legum; as will be seen from the reference, it has been found in the Journal, and is now printed at length.

Aldermen of this cytye for the tyme beinge, and eight of the sed commeners of the same, shall alweis from hencefurthe for ever have the surveye, rule, order, and governaunce of the said house, and of all the landes and tenementtes, rentes, revenues, goodes and cattalls nowe belonging or that hereafter shall belonge, or in any wise apperteyn to the same. And that the Lord Mayer of the seyd cytye for the tyme beinge shall allweyes have full powre and authorytye to nominate, elect, and appoynt the seyd foure Aldermen and viii Comeners from tyme to tyme, when and as often as to theym shall seame mete and expedient. And that all the foure Aldermen and viii. Comeners so elect, nominatyd, and apoynted shall allweys stande, remayne, and contynue in the seyd rome and office by the space of ii. hole yeres, and by all the same tyme shall diligentlye indevoyr them selfes and everye of theym as they maye convenyentlye attende to the due execucion and exersyse of the seyd rome and office. And that the seyd lord Mayer and Aldermen for the tyme beinge shall yerly allwayes at the Feast of Seynt Michaell th' Archangell, or within xiiii dayes next before the same fest, remove and deulye dyscharge from the seyd rome and office suche ii of the seid foure Aldermen, and such iiii of the seyd viii Comeners as then shall have standyn and contynued in the same office or rome by the space of ii hole yeres. And in their stedes and places then newlye to elect, nominate, and appoynte other ii Aldermen and iiii Commeners to be associate with the other ii Aldermen and iiii Commeners, which then shall remayne and stand still in the seyd office for one other hole yere then next ensuynge, for that there they have then exercisyd and executyd the seyd rome and office but by the space of one yere. And for the perfyte establyshementt and confirmacion of this presentt acte the nominacion, election, and appoyntement of Mr. *Austin Hynde* and *William Garrard*, Aldermen; *William Rawlins* and *Thomas Lodge*, Grocers; *Thomas Berthelet*, Stationer; and *Thomas Bacon*, Salter, who heretofore with others have taken gret and manyfold paynes and labour in the devisinge and makinge of the seyd ordres and constitutions, and in executinge and diligent excersyse of the seid rome and office, yet to remayne and contynue one hole yere longer in the seyd office, and the nominacion, election, and newe appoyntement of Mr. *Willsforde* and Mr. *Dobbes*, Aldermen; and *Thomas Vicars*, Barbour Surgeon; *William Chester*, Draper; *Wil-*

liam Clarke, Skinner; and *Stephen Cobb*, Haberdasher; to joyne and be associate with the seyd Mr. *Hynd* and other aforenamyd, by all the tyme afore rehersyd made by the seyd Lord Mayer and Aldermen at this present ys lovinglye ratyfyed, approvyd, and confirmyd by this hole Court of Common Counsayle, and by tho authorytye of the same. [Journal 15, fol. 384.]

THREE EXTRACTS FROM THE REPERTORY OF THE COURT OF ALDERMEN.*

Jovis, xxvi° die Febr^i^, anno v^to^ *Edwardi* Sexti.

Item, It was agreyd that Mr. *Gresham*, Mr. *Hill*, Mr. *Garrarde*, and Mr. *Ailyff*, Aldermen, shall travaile with my Lorde Chauncellour for the purchase of the Hospitall in *Suthwarke*, and the landes thereunto belongyng, to the Cities use, and to make reporte here thereof with spede. [Rep. 12, No. 2, fol. 309 *a*.]

Martis, iii° die Martii, Anno v^to^ *Edwardi* Sexti.

Item, Mr. *Gresham*, Mr. *Hill*, Mr. *Barnes*, and Mr. *Garrarde*, Aldermen, are apoynted to repayre to morrowe in the mornyng to the Kynges majesties Counsell with the cities petition for the purchase of the Hospitall in *Suthwerke* and the landes thereunto belonging. [Rep. 12, No. 2, fol. 310 *b*.]

Jovis, xxviii° Maii, Anno Quinto *Edwardi* Sexti.

Item, It was agreyd that the Chamberlein shall truely repaye alle such money as shalbe leyed out for and about the sute to be

* The existence of the following most important documents seems to have remained entirely unknown in modern times. It appears from them that the City originated the purchase from the Crown of the Hospital of St. Thomas and its endowment, and we have here set out the particulars of that endowment with the detail of what the Privy Council allowed for the maintenance of the Hospital, leaving the rest to be purchased by the City; we find the price calculated and a receipt for the purchase money, followed by grants of the property in due form under the Great Seal.

made by the cytie for the purchase of the Hospytalle in *Suthwerke* and the lands thereunto belonging, eyther by *Johan Eston*, Gentleman, or any other person. [Rep. 12, No. 2, fol. 338*b*.]

Extracted from a Volume of the Registers of the Privy Council, preserved in the Privy Council Office, endorsed "*Edward* 6th, vol. 3rd, Council Register, 19th April, 1550, to 15th June, 1553."

Folio 252.

At *Westminster*, the 25th of March, 1551.

The Lord Chancellor	The Lord Admiral
The Lord Treasurer	The Lord Cobham
The Lord Great Master	Mr. Comptroller
The Lord Privy Seal	Mr. Vice-Chamberlain
The Lord Great Chamberlain	Two Secretaries
The Lord Marquis Dorset	Sir Ralph Sadlier

A Letter to the Auditor and Surveyor of * to make out a particular to the Mayor of London of all the lands belonging to the Hospital in *Southwark*, with the defalcations and allowances due to the poor folk.

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Copy of a Record in the Public Record Office, entitled "Particulars for Grants," (Exchequer Augmentation,) Gresham, Hill, and others, 5th *Edward* VI.*

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The possessions of the Hospital in *Southwark*, besides the Site and Mansion-houses for the ministers and the poor, amounted in all to the yearly value of .							314	17	1
				whereof					
If it shall please the King's Majesty and his Honourable Council there is to be appointed impotent and lame Soldiers and such like poor persons . .									
There is to be allowed yearly	60	10	5						
Also the charge of their bedding and furniture of the same being now greatly decayed and worn, will stand yearly . .	10	0	0						
Also for wood and coals to be spent in winter season for the said 20ty poor folks . .	10	0	0						
Also for linen cloth for winding sheets of such poor as shall happen to die from time to time in the said Hospital . .	5	0	0—	85	10	5			
Also the stipend, diet, and livery of two Ministers in the said Hospital; the one to serve the cure, being there 700 housling people, and the other to serve Hospital and to be assistant to the Curate . . .	16	0	0						
Carried forward				101	10	5	314	17	1

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* The original of this is full of most interesting alterations, showing the care with which the matter was considered, and in the result the property to be purchased by the City was increased from £123 17s. 1d. to £160, and the price from £1,955 1s. 8d. to £2,461 2s. 6d. It will be observed that Gresham, Hill, and others are the persons deputed by the Court of Aldermen to negotiate with the Privy Council for this purpose. Vide p. 3.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward . .				101	10	5	314	17	1
Also for the stipend and wages of two women or sisters to attend upon the poor and to wash their clothes	13	6	8						
Also for a porter to let in and out the said poor people to the said Hospital, 40*s.* by the year, and meat and drink, or else .	6	13	4						
Also to a Surgeon yearly, to cure and help such impotent and diseased people as shall be received into this Hospital .	10	0	0						
Also to an honest and sober man, to be Overseer and Deputy to the Mayor and Commonalty, as well to oversee the said Hospital, with all things thereunto belonging, as also for the better order of the revenue appointed	10	0	0—40	0	0				
And forasmuch as it is convenient that the revenue of the said Hospital, according to this proportion amounting to the yearly value of 178*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*, may be fully and yearly answered without decay; And for that the same standeth most in small tenements and cottages, and 120 of them lying within the circuit of the said Hospital of small rents of 6*s.*, 5*s.*, and 4*s.* rent by the year, so ruinous and decayed that £500 will scant suffice to repair them. There is therefore to be allowed									
Carried forward				141	10	5	314	7	1

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ne allowance for reparations.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward . . .	141	10	5	314	17	1
yearly, for the reparations of the same	13	6	8—	154	17	1
And there remaineth to be purchased by the Mayor and Commonalty, by the year				160	0	0
				whereof		
In lands and rents the yearly value of 36*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.*, which at 20 years' purchase amounteth to the sum of .	737	1	8			
In houses and cottages the yearly value of 123*l.* 2*s.* 11*d*, which at 14 years' purchase amounteth to the sum of	1724	0	10—	2461	2	6

Ri. Sakevyle.

30th July, in the 5th year of the reign of *Edward* 6th.

Be it remembered that we Sir *John Gresham,* Sir *Rowland Hill, George Barnes,* and *William Blackwell,** to the use of the City of *London,* do require to have of the King's Majesty, by way of purchase, the particular parcels above mentioned and hereunto annexed. In Witness whereof to this bill we have set our hands and seals the day and year abovesaid.

In the County of Surrey.—Parcel of the possessions of the late College or Hospital of *Thomas Becket* founded in *Southwark,* as appears by the survey there made by *William Goodwyn,* Surveyor of the Lord the King there, by the command of the Privy Council of the same Lord the King, the 12th day of April, in the 5th year of his reign.

The farm of divers tenements, cottages, gardens, and chambers, situate lying

* William Blackwell was Town Clerk from 1541 to 1570, and it was the discovery of this fact, which destroyed the authenticity of the black letter copy of the ordinances of 1557, preserved in the City Library, to which the name of Goodfellow is attached. John Goodfellow was Town Clerk from 1690 to 1700, and the presumption therefore is, that the copy in question was printed between these latter dates.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
and being within the site, ambit, and precinct of the said late College or Hospital within the parish of the same, demised to divers persons, as particularly appears by the survey aforesaid	97	11	8			
The farm of the Rectory of the same parish, one year with another . . .	9	0	0			
The tolls and profits of the Fair there, holden once in the year on the day of the Nativity of the blessed Mary the Virgin, called the Leather Fair	0	13	4—	107	5	0
The rents of divers free tenants within the parish of St. *Saviour*, by the year	2	11	0			
The farm of divers tenements, cottages, and gardens, situate, lying, and being within the said parish of St. *Saviour*, with 1*l.* 14*s.* for the price of 17 lbs. of pepper .	107	18	0—	110	9	0
The rents of divers free tenants within the parish of St. *George*, in *Southwark* aforesaid, by the year	0	17	4			
The farm of divers tenements, cottages, and gardens, situate, lying, and being within the same parish of St. *George*, by the year	8	17	0			
The farm of 26 acres of land lying in the fields called St. *George's Fields*, in divers places in the said parish of St. *George*, by the year	3	13	4—	13	7	8
The farm of divers tenements, cottages, and gardens, situate, and lying, and being within the parish of St. *Olave*, in *Southwark*, by the year . . .				23	12	4
The farm of divers tenements, cottages, and gardens, situate, lying, and being within the parish of *Newington*, beyond all rents resolute				8	7	4
Carried forward				263	1	4

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	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	263	1	4
The farm of 5 closes of arable land, containing by estimation 27 acres, lying in *Lambeth*, and one acre of land lying near *Gallow field*, in *Lambeth* aforesaid, demised to *Richard Dawson* by indenture, as the assignee of *Richard Cartwright*, with 2*s*. for the price of one pound of pepper, by the year, beyond all rents resolute .			
The farm of two crofts of land or meadow, called *Jew's Mead*, containing by estimation one acre, demised to the aforesaid *Richard Dawson*, by the year, beyond all rents resolute . . .	3	2	0
The farm of certain lands lying within the parish of *Wimbledon* and *Mitcham*, in the tenure of *William Moraunte*, by the year, with 1*l*. 4*s*. for a rent resolute to the Lord the King as to his Manor of *Wimbledon*, parcel of the possessions late of *Thomas Cromwell*, Earl of *Essex*, of high treason attainted, and sixpence for a rent resolute to the Manor of *Bigging* in *Mitcham*, parcel of the possessions late of the Priory of *Merton* .	4	11	2
The rent of *Ralph Hammond*, a free tenant, issuing out of 4 acres of his lands lying in *Penge*, within the parish of *Battersea*, by the year	0	1	6
The rent of *William Puryar* and *William Puttocke*, free tenants, issuing out of their lands and tenements in *Dansfold*, by the year	1	4	0
The rent of — *Morgan*, Esquire, a free tenant, issuing out of his Manor of *Chilworth*, in the parish of *Marthahill*, by the year	2	0	0
	£274	0	0

Sum of the value 274*l*.

The fee of *John Keble*, collector of the rents there, by the year, by Letters Patent for the term of his life	6	0	0
And they are worth clear .	£268	0	0

Be it remembered, that the site of the said late Hospital, with hall, chambers, lofts, cellars, gardens, and orchards, which were wont to be reserved in the hands of the late Master and Fellows of the aforesaid College or Hospital, for their own commodity, be omitted out of this said value and not charged, for that they were never valued heretofore, but yet they be worth to be let for the yearly rent of 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Also there is also within the said late Hospital a house with hall, chambers, lofts, and garden, late called the Sisters' House, which was reserved in the hands of the late Sisters to their own use and commodity, and now likewise omitted out of this said value for that they were never rented, but yet they be worth to be let for the yearly rent of 4*l.*

Also there be two houses for poor people within the aforesaid Hospital called the Almshouses, wherein the poor people be lodged, with bedding and lodging belonging to the same, which be omitted out of this said value, for that they be reserved at this day to the same use of poor people.

Also there is standing within the Church Yard of the aforesaid Hospital one old Chapel, at this present not used for any good purpose, which may be taken away—the timber, stone, tiles, glass, and iron whereof is worth to be sold for the sum of 4*l.* by estimation.

Also there be within the said Hospital certain bells, implements, utensils, beddings, and ornaments, which did belong to the aforesaid Hospital and do as yet remain, whereof the King's Majesty must be answered, over and besides the bells in the steeple, the needful ornaments of the Church, and the necessary stuff for the poor people.

Examined by *William Goodwyn*, Surveyor.

The Rectory of Great Wakering, in the county of Essex aforesaid, is worth in—

The County of Essex.—Parcel of the possessions of the Lord the King to the late House or Hospital of *Thomas Becket*, appertaining, situate, and being within the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rents of Assize there, by the year .	0	10	8			
The farm of the Rectory there, with all buildings, lands, meadows, feedings, marshes						
Carried forward . . .	0	10	8			

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward . . .	0	10	8			
and pastures, with all their appurtenances whatsoever to the said Rectory belonging or appertaining, together with the tithes of grain and hay to the same Rectory arising (all the rents and services of the tenants of the same Rectory and with the profits of the Courts there excepted and altogether reserved), late in the tenure of John Cowper, so to him demised by indenture for the term of 24 years, rendering therefor by the year	10	1	0			
Perquisites of Courts there, one year with another	0	3	4	10	15	0

Examined by *Reginald Hollyngsworth,* particular Surveyor of the said Lord the King, in the aforesaid County of *Essex.*

THE COUNTY OF KENT.—Parcel of the possessions of the late House or Hospital of *Thomas Becket,* situate and being within the Borough of *Southwark.*

	£	s.	d.
Rents of Assize of certain lands there, called *Medewock,* lying and being in the marsh called *Rodham* Mead, in the parish there, which *Thomas Gyttons* freely holdeth by the year	0	13	4

Examined by *Hugh Cartwright,* Surveyor of the County aforesaid.

THE CITY OF LONDON.—Parcel of the possessions of the Lord the King to the late House or Hospital of *Thomas Becket,* appertaining, situate, and being within the Borough of *Southwark,* in the County of *Surrey.*

	£	s.	d.
The farm of divers tenements, cottages, and gardens, situate and being in the said parish, by the year	9	19	4
Carried forward . . .	9	19	4

		£	s.	d.
	Brought forward . . .	9	19	4
The parish of St. Margaret Patten is worth in—	The farm of divers tenements and cottages and gardens, situate and being in the said parish, by the year	13	10	4
The parish of St. Nicholas Shambles is worth in—	The farm of one tenement with its appurtenances, situate and being in the said parish, by the year .	2	13	4
The parish of St. Gregory, Knightrider street, is worth in—	The farm of divers tenements, cottages, and gardens, situate and being in the said parish, by the year .	3	3	4
The parish of St. Magnus is worth in—	The rent of the Wardens of the said Church, by the year	0	8	0
The parish of St. Dunstan in the East is worth in—	The rent of the Wardens of the Mystery of the Skinners, by the year	0	4	0
The parish of St. Michael, in Crooked Lane is worth in—	The rent of *Ambrose Wall*, by the year . .	0	4	0
The parish of St. Olave, in Mark Lane, is worth in—	The rent of *William Turke*, by the year . .	0	4	0
The parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate is worth in—	The rent of *Cornelius Hayes*, by the year . .	0	3	1
The parish of St. Mary Matthew is worth in—	The rent of the Wardens of the said Church, by the year	0	2	4
The parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate is worth in—	The rent of the Rector of the said Church, by the year	0	4	0
	The rent of the Wardens of the Mystery of the Clothworkers, by the year	0	1	0
	Carried forward . . .	30	16	9

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward . . .	30	16	9
The rent of the Wardens of the said Church, by the year	0	2	4
The rent of *Oliver Daubney*, by the year . .	0	2	4
The rent of the Wardens of the Mystery of the Drapers, in the parish aforesaid, by the year . .	0	6	0
The rent of the Wardens of the Mystery of the Goldsmiths, in the parish aforesaid, by the year .	0	8	0
The rent of the Wardens of the said Church, by the year	1	12	0
The rent of the Wardens of the Mercers, by the year	0	13	4
The rent of the Master of St. *Laurence Pountney*, by the year	0	10	0
The rent of the Wardens of the said Church, by the year	0	9	0
The rent of the Sub Canons of St. *Paul*, by the year	0	9	0
	35	8	9

By me *Alexander Hewes.*

[Endorsed] Sir *John Gresham* and others, to the use of the City of *London.*

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The value of all the possessions, 314*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.* Thereof for the Hospital, 191*l.* Remainder, 123*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.**

Copy of portions of a Record in the Public Record Office, entitled "Receipts of Court of Augmentations (Exchequer), 5th *Edward* VI., Miscellaneous Books, vol. 346."

THE OFFICE OF THE† OF THE AUGMENTATIONS.

The book of all and singular Receipts within the same office for one whole year ended at the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, in the Fifth year of the reign of King Edward the Sixth.

The Ledger Receipts within the office of Sir *John Williams,* Knight, Treasurer of the Court of Augmentations, &c. From the 20th day of *March,* in the 5th year of the reign of King Edward 6th, unto the same 20th of *March* in the Sixth year of the same Lord the King; that is to say, for one whole year.

THE MAYOR AND COMMONALTY OF THE CITY OF LONDON. SALE OF LANDS.‡

Item, of them the 5th of *July,* for the purchase of the Hospital in *Southwark,* the sum of 2,461*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* (charged).

* As stated in the note, page 5, the property to be purchased by the City was increased from £123 17s. 1d. to £160, the allowance or gift of the King for the Hospital, being diminished from £191 to £154 17s. 1d., but the note on the back of the "Particular of Grant" was not altered.

† Blank in the original.

‡ See the grant following this receipt at page 15.

LETTERS PATENT OF KING EDWARD THE SIXTH,

GRANTING THE HOSPITAL OF ST. THOMAS, THE CHURCH AND PART OF THE ENDOWMENTS TO THE CORPORATION OF LONDON, DATED 12TH AUGUST, IN THE 5TH YEAR OF HIS REIGN, TRANSLATED FROM AN EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE ORIGINAL LETTERS PATENT UNDER THE GREAT SEAL.*

EDWARD the Sixth, by the grace of God, King of *England*, *France*, and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, and on earth the Supreme Head of the *English* and *Irish* Church, to all to whom these present letters shall come greeting. Know ye that we, weighing and considering the exhausted and miserable state and condition of the poor sick and infirm persons lying about and begging in the public streets and places of our City of *London* and Suburbs thereof, to their great grievance and sorrow, and to the great infection and trouble of our subjects passing and walking through the same streets and places; for the health and quiet passage of which we are greatly desirous, and also for the cure and support of the sick and infirm poor as aforesaid, of our special grace and of our certain knowledge and mere motion, have given and granted, and by these presents do give and grant to our beloved the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our said City of *London*, all the house and site of the late hospital of *Thomas Beckett* in *Southwark*, lately commonly called the Hospital of Saint *Thomas* in *Southwark*, in the county of *Surrey*, or by whatsoever name or names the said late hospital should be called or known, or was ever heretofore called or known; and the whole church, belfrey, and cemetery of the same late hospital; and all our houses, buildings, barnes, stables, dove-houses, pools, orchards, gardens, land, and soil whatsoever, being within the site, sept,† ambit, circuit, and precint of the same late hospital; also all our rectory of *Thomas Becket*, lately called the

* It will be seen that these letters patent of the 12th Aug., and the next bearing date the 13th Aug., carry out the arrangements set out in the preceding documents. By the first, the King gave the site of the Hospital and the Church and part of the endowment to the City, by the second he granted the rest of the endowments as a purchase. The first of these letters patent is in the possession of St. Thomas' Hospital (vide Return to an Order of the House of Commons, dated, 4 July, 1862), what has become of the second is not known. See note, p. 24.

† Enclosure.

parsonage of Saint *Thomas* in *Southwark* aforesaid, or by whatsoever other name called or known, with all its rights and appurtenances, and all manner of tithes oblations obventions, and other profits emoluments and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances to the same rectory in anywise belonging and appertaining; and all those our fairs yearly holden and to be holden in *Southwark* aforesaid, to the said late hospital lately belonging and appertaining, and all and singular our messuages lands tenements houses buildings shops cellars solars orchards gardens curtilages and hereditaments whatsoever with the appurtenances in the parish of *Thomas Becket*, lately commonly called the parish of Saint *Thomas* in *Southwark* aforesaid to the said late hospital lately belonging and appertaining, and lately being parcel of the possessions thereof; also all and singular our messuages lands tenements houses buildings orchard gardens curtilages rents reversions services and hereditaments whatsoever, with their appurtenances now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Humfrey Collet*, *William Kellet*, and *William Chapman*, situate lying and being in the parish of *Newington*, in our county of *Surry*, to the said late hospital lately belonging and appertaining, and lately being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all those our messuages lands tenements houses buildings orchard gardens and curtilages whatsoever, with the appurts now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Thomas Leper*, *Thomas Redyng*, *Christopher Hyde*, *John Cowper*, and the wardens of the parish church of Saint *George* in *Southwarke* aforesaid, or their assigns or assign, or of either of them, situate lying and being in the parish of Saint *George* in *Southwark* aforesaid, to the said late hospital lately belonging and appertaining, and lately being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all our messuages lands tenements houses buildings barns orchards gardens curtilages rents reversions services and hereditaments whatsoever, with their appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Edward Welshe*, *John Hogeson*, *Roger Lawrence*, *Humfrey Stoode*, *Cornelius Mynstrell*, *Robert Smyth* and *William Perocke*, or their assigns, or the assigns of either of them lying and being in the parish of Saint *Saviour* in *Southwark* aforesaid, and in the late parish of Saint *Mary Magdalene*, then to the said late hospital lately belonging and appertaining, and lately being parcel of the possession thereof; and all our

houses buildings lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever, with their appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures of *John Lambeth, Thomas Wragg, Edward Tyberson, Anthony de la Rue, Richard Thompson, William Shorte, Thomas Symond, James Picknall, John Cory,* and *John Gardener,* or their assigns, situate lying and being in the said parish of Saint *Saviour* in *Southwark* aforesaid, and in the late parish of Saint *Margarete* there, and to the said late hospital lately belonging and appertaining, and lately being parcel of the possessions thereof; also the reversions whatsoever of all and singular the premises above expressed and specified, with the appurtenances and every parcel thereof. And also the rents and yearly profits whatsoever reserved, upon whatsoever demises and grants in what way soever made of the premises, and of every parcel thereof, as fully freely and wholly, and in as ample manner and form as any master of the said late hospital, or any other or others heretofore having and possessing the said premises, or any parcel thereof, or being seized thereof, ever had held or enjoyed, or he or they might or ought to have had held or enjoyed the same or any parcel thereof, and as fully freely and wholly, and in as ample manner and form, as all and singular the same came to the hands of our most dear Father, *Henry* the Eighth, late King of *England,* and now are or ought to be in our hands by reason or pretence of any charter gift grant or confirmation, in anywise made or granted to us or to our said Most dear Father, or by any other way right or title they are or ought to have come into our hands; which same messuages lands tenements, and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, with all their appurtenances now in the whole are extended, at the clear yearly value of one hundred and fifty-four pounds seventeen shillings and one penny,* to have hold and enjoy the aforesaid house and site of the said late hospital, and the aforesaid rectory messuages lands tenements rents reversions services, and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, with all their appurtenances, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London,* and their successors for ever, to hold of us, our heirs and successors, as of our manor of *East Greenwich,* in our county of *Kent,* by fealty only, in

* This is the exact amount of the deductions agreed to be allowed for the Hospital by the King, see page 7 ante.

free soccage and not in capite, for all services and demand whatsoever therefore in any wise to be rendered paid or made to us, our heirs or successors. And further of our more ample grace, we do give, and for the considerations aforesaid by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London*, all issues rents reversions and profits of all and singular the premises above expressed and specified, with the appurtenances, from the feast of the Annuntiation of the Blessed Virgin Mary last past, hereunto arising or reserved; also all ornaments bells lead vests reading-desks vessels, and other our goods chattels implements and utensils whatsoever being or remaining in the said hospital, to hold to the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our gift, without account or any other thing therefor in any way to be rendered paid or made to us, our heirs and successors. And moreover, of our more ample grace, We will, and for us our heirs and successors, by these presents, do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors, that we our heirs and successors for ever, will yearly and from time to time exonerate acquit and defend, and keep indemnified as well the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors, as the aforesaid messuages lands tenements and other the premises by these presents above granted from all rents services fees annuities and sums of money whatsoever in any wise issuing or payable, or thereupon charged or to be charged on the premises, or of any parcel thereof by these presents above granted; except from the service above by these presents reserved to us, our heirs and successors, and except from a fee of six pounds yearly allowed for the bailiff of the premises. Also willing and by these presents firmly enjoining, do command as well to the Chancellor and Surveyors General and council of our Court of Augmentation and revenue of our Crown, as to all receivers auditors and other officers and ministers of us, our heirs and successors whomsoever for the time being, that they and every of them upon the sole showing of these our letters patent or the inrolment thereof, without any other writ or warrant in anywise to be obtained or issued from us our heirs or successors, shall make, and from time to time cause to be made, full entire and due allowance and manifest discharge of all and all manner of such rents fees annuities and sums of money and charges

whatsoever of the premises as aforesaid issuing or payable, or thereupon charged or to be charged (except as before excepted), to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors; and these our letters patent or the enrolment thereof shall be yearly and from time to time a sufficient warrant and discharge in that behalf, as well to the said Chancellor and Surveyors General and council of our said Court of Augmentation and revenue of our Crown, as to all receivers auditors and other officers and ministers of us our heirs and successors whomsoever for the time being. *And further of our more ample grace we will, and for us our heirs and successors by these presents do grant that the said late hospital in Southwark from henceforth may and shall be a place and house for poor persons, there to be relieved and supported, and shall be called* THE HOUSE OF THE POOR IN SOUTHWARK, IN THE COUNTY OF SURRY, NEAR LONDON, OF OUR FOUNDATION. AND that the church within the site of the same late hospital may and shall be the parish church, as heretofore it hath been accustomed, for the celebrating Divine services and sacraments, and administering the sacramentals there, as well to the inhabitants within the site and close of the said late hospital, and the poor, officers, and ministers there for the time being, as to all the parishioners of the same parish for the time being, and that the same church from henceforth shall be called the parish church of Saint *Thomas* in *Southwark* aforesaid, near London. AND further know ye that we of our special grace, and of our certain knowledge and mere motion, and by our royal authority of supreme head of the *English* and *Irish* church, do appropriate unite annex and incorporate to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said city of *London* and their successors the rectory and church of Saint *Thomas* in *Southwark* aforesaid, with all tithes, oblations, and all other the rights and appurtenances to the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said city of *London* and their successors, and by these presents do give and grant the same to be possessed by them to their own use at all future times. AND further we will and by our royal authority which we possess, of our special grace, and of our certain knowledge and mere motion have given and granted, and by these presents for us our heirs and successors do give and grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London* and their successors full license faculty and

authority to have hold possess and enjoy the aforesaid rectory and church of Saint *Thomas* in *Southwarke* aforesaid, and all and singular the messuages houses buildings glebe lands annuities pensions portions fruits tithes oblations, and all other rights profits commodities and emoluments whatsoever to the said rectory and church as aforesaid assigned belonging or appertaining, or hereafter to be assigned appointed, or happening to belong or appertain, or happening to be, or hereafter shall be as parcel of the same rectory and church, to the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London* and their successors for ever, and shall and may be able to convert and retain the same to their own use, without impeachment or impediment of us our heirs or successors, or of any archbishops bishops archdeacons sheriffs escheators justices commissioners or other officers or ministers of us our heirs or successors, and without account for first fruits or tenths, or any other account therefor, in any way to be rendered paid or made to us our heirs or successors, and without the nomination presentation institution or collation of any rector to be instituted or appointed in the same church, the statute for not putting of lands and tenements into mortmain, or the statute for granting first-fruits and tenths lately made and provided to us our heirs and successors, of benefices dignities and spiritual and ecclesiastical promotions, or any other statute act ordinance provision prohibition restriction, or ecclesiastical or temporal law to the contrary hereof heretofore had made enacted ordained or provided, or any other thing cause or matter whatsoever in any wise notwithstanding, and without any writ of *ad quod damnum*, or any other writ mandate or precept in this behalf in anywise to be issued forth demanded or made of us our heirs or successors, and without any inquisition thereon to be made or taken. And moreover, of our more ample grace, We will and by these presents do grant, that from the issues rents and revenues of the premises the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London* and their successors shall yearly and from time to time for ever find support and maintain not only two fit and suitable ministers to celebrate Divine service and administer the sacraments and sacramentals as well to the poor and officers and ministers of the said hospital and house of the poor as to the parishioners of the said parish of St. *Thomas*, in *Southwark* aforesaid, but also two women or sisters, fit

and suitable to attend upon and take eare of the poor there, and to wash their clothes from time to time as often as it shall be necessary and fit. And that the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors, from the issues and revenues of the premises, from time to time for ever, shall find and support in the said hospital and house of poor as well one fit porter to open the gate for the poor there coming in and going out, and one apt and skilful surgeon, to cure and heal the sick and infirm in the said hospital and house of poor persons therein received or brought or to be received or brought in, as one honest sober and pious man, who from time may and shall be the overseer and deputy of the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors, not only to oversee the said hospital and house of poor with all the appurtenances to the same, but also to better order and distribute the revenues of the same hospital and house of poor. And We will and by these presents do declare that the residue of all the revenue of the premises, beyond the stipends and fees of the officers and ministers aforesaid, and beyond the necessary charges for the repairs of the said hospital and house of poor, and other the premises, to be allowed and deducted from the revenues thereof, shall yearly and from time to time be expended to the use and support of the poor sick and infirm of the said hospital and house of poor, as for them shall be most expedient and necessary. And that the issues and revenues aforesaid shall from time to time be expended and bestowed to the uses aforesaid and not otherwise, We do will and declare by these presents that well it shall be lawful for us our heirs and successors, from time to time, as often as it shall seem fit and expedient, to assign our Commissioners to visit the said hospital and house of poor, and to do and execute all and singular the other things which We our heirs or successors shall have commanded there to be done. And further We will, and for us our heirs and successors by these presents do grant, that those persons who hereafter shall have the offices places dignities of the said two ministers in the said church of St. *Thomas* in *Southwarke* aforesaid, and who shall be nominated instituted and admitted to the same places offices and dignities, and every of them and their successors, from time to time, shall have and enjoy such places offices and dignities, and each of them without payment of any first-fruits or tenths, or of any sum or sums of money for or in

the name of first-fruits or tenths or an annual tenth part, of or for the same places offices or dignities, or either of them, to us our heirs or successors, or to be demanded paid or exacted therefor for us our heirs and successors, by reason or pretext of any Act of Parliament or grant of first-fruits and tenths of churches and spiritual benefices promotions and dignities to us our heirs and successors, made and provided in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of our said most dear father *Henry* VIII., late King of *England*, but shall be therefrom for ever discharged and acquitted by these presents, that statute or any other statute act or law to the contrary thereof heretofore enacted made ordained or provided in any wise notwithstanding. And to the intent that the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our City of *London* and their successors shall and may be better able to support the charges and expenses of the poor in the said poor house or hospital in *Southwarke* aforesaid to be supported, KNOW YE that We, of our more abundant grace and of our certain knowledge and mere motion, do will and have given licence, and by these presents, for us our heirs and successors, do give and grant licence to whomsoever our subjects and liege persons of us our heirs and successors, that they or any one or more of them shall and may be able to give grant sell alienate or bequeath manors rectories lands tenements tithes rents reversions services or other possessions revenues or hereditaments to the yearly value of forty-six pounds, in our City of *London* or elsewhere within our realm of *England* or in *Wales* or elsewhere wheresoever within our realm and dominions, beyond the aforesaid lands tenements and other the premises above by these presents as aforesaid given and granted, although they must be held of us *in capite* or otherwise, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London* and their successors for ever, to the use and intent aforesaid. And in like manner by these presents, We do give and grant a like special licence to the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors that they shall and may be able to have receive and purchase such manors rectories lands tenements tithes rents reversions services possessions revenues and hereditaments, to the yearly value of forty-six pounds, beyond the aforesaid lands tenements and other the premises above by these presents as aforesaid given and granted, from any subjects and liege persons of us our heirs or successors

the statute for not putting lands to mortmain, or any other statute act ordinance or provision to the contrary hereof heretofore had made enacted ordained or provided, or any other thing cause or matter whatsoever in anywise notwithstanding. Also we will and by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London*, that they shall and may have these our letters patent, in due manner made and sealed under our Great Seal of *England*, without fine, for not putting lands to our hands in any way therefor to be rendered paid or made to us into our Hanaper or elsewhere to our use, although express mention of the true yearly value, or of the certainty of the premises, or either of them, or of other gifts or grants by us or any of our progenitors heretofore made to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London* and their successors in these presents be not made, or any statute act ordinance provision proclamation prohibition or restriction thereof to the contrary made enacted ordained or provided, or any other thing cause or matter whatsoever in anywise notwithstanding. In Witness whereof We have caused these our letters to be made patent. Witness ourselves at *Westminster* the twelfth day of August, in the fifth year of our reign.

By the King himself, and of the date aforesaid
by authority of Parliament.

Letters Patent of King Edward the 6th, granting the rest of the Endowments of the Hospital by way of purchase to the City, dated 13th August, in the 5th year of his reign, translated from the Original Record, in the Public Record Office, entitled "Patent Roll," 5th Edward VI., p. 4, m. 29.*

Of a Grant for *Rowland Hill* and others.

THE King to all to whom, &c. greeting. Know ye that We, for the sum of 2,461*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*,† paid to the hands of the Treasurer of our Court of Augmentations and Revenues of our Crown to our use, by our beloved Sir *John Gresham*, Knight, Sir *Rowland Hyll*, Knight, and *George Barnes*, Citizens and Aldermen of the City of London, and *William Blackwell*, gentleman, the Common Clerk of our City aforesaid, whereof we confess ourself to be fully satisfied and paid, and the same *John*, *Rowland*, *George* and *William*, their heirs and executors, to be thereof acquitted and discharged by these presents, of our special grace and of our certain knowledge and mere motion, have given and granted and by these presents do give and grant to the aforesaid *John*, *Rowland*, *George* and *William* all those our five closes of land containing by estimation 27 acres, and our one acre of land near *Gallow field* with all their appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Richard Dawson*, lying and being in *Lambeth*, in our county of *Surrey*, to the late hospital of *Thomas Becket*, in *Southwark*, late commonly called the Hospital of St. *Thomas*, in *Southwark*, in the county of *Surrey*, by whatsoever name or names the same late hospital may be reckoned or known or was ever here-

* This patent is now made public for the first time, its existence being unknown until these researches. The Town Clerk, by order of the Court of Aldermen (p. 55), delivered it to the Bridgemasters to be perused by them, and they solemnly acknowledged its receipt on the 12th of January, 12 Elizabeth, (vide post p. 56) and this is the last trace of it. It may, even now, be among the voluminous records of the Bridge House in their strong room under Guildhall, and which, one day, it is hoped, will be examined and indexed. It can only be a guess why the Bridgemasters wanted this patent at this time, but remembering that the City, out of the Bridge House Estates, had purchased of King Edward the 6th, a large property in Southwark, which was also granted by patent; it is conceivable that some question respecting rights of property may have arisen which rendered a due examination of the two patents desirable and necessary.

† The purchase money calculated, ante p. 7, and paid on the 5th July, ante p. 14.

tofore called or reckoned, formerly belonging and appertaining and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and all those our two crofts of land and meadow called *Jew's Mead*, containing by estimation one acre, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of the said *Richard Dawson*, lying and being in *Camberwell*, in the said county of *Surrey*, to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and all those our lands meadows pastures and hereditaments whatsoever with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Morauntes*, lying and being in *Wymbleton* and *Micham*, in our said county of *Surrey;* and also all those our 26 acres of land now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Joan Sparrow*, widow, and *Richard Cartwright*, lying and being in divers places in St. *George's Fields*, in the parish of St. *George* in *Southwark* aforesaid; and also all that yearly rent of 4*s*. to us belonging and appertaining, and late [being] parcel of the possessions or revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of lands and tenements in the said parish of St. *George*, in *Southwark* aforesaid, now or late in the tenure or occupation of the wardens of the church of St. *George*, in *Southwark* aforesaid; and all that yearly rent of 13*s*. 4*d*. and the services to us belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions or revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of certain lands in *Blackman-street*, within the parish of St. *George* aforesaid, late in the tenure of *Thomas Combes*, gentleman; and also all that our yearly rent of eighteen pence and the service to us belonging and appertaining, and late [being] parcel of the possessions or revenues of the same late hospital, issuing out of lands and tenements in *Penge*, within the parish of *Batricksey* [Battersea] in the said county of *Surrey*, late in the tenure of *Ralph Hamond;* and all that yearly rent of 24*s*. and the service to us belonging and appertaining and late parcel of the possessions or revenues of the same late hospital, issuing out of lands and tenements in *Dunsfold* in our said county of *Surrey*, late in the tenure of *William Puryer* and *William Puttocke ;* and all that yearly rent of 40*s*. and the service to us belonging and appertaining and late being parcel of the possessions or revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of the manor of *Chilworth* in our said county of *Surrey*, late of *Morgan*, Esquire; and also all that our rectory and church of *Great Wakeryng*, with all its rights and appurtenances,

in our county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and the advowson donation free disposition and right of patronage of the vicarage of the parish church of *Great Wakering* in the said county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining; and all and singular our messuages houses buildings barns stables dovecotes pools vivaries yards orchards gardens lands meadows feedings pastures tithes oblations obventions pensions portions annuities rents reversions services Courts Leet Views of Frankpledge and other rights profits commodities emoluments and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances in *Great Wakering* in our said county of *Essex*, and elsewhere wheresoever in the same county to the said rectory and church of *Great Wakering* howsoever belonging or appertaining, or heretofore being had known accepted used or reputed as parts or parcels of the same rectory and church; and also all that yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* and the service to us belonging and appertaining, and late being parcel of the possessions or revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of lands and tenements called *Medewycke*, in the marsh called *Rodham Mead*, in the parish of *Clyffe* in our county of *Kent* late in the tenure of *Thomas Gittens;* and also all that yearly rent of 8*s.* which the wardens of the church of St. *Magnus, London*, heretofore yearly rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the said late hospital; and also all that yearly rent of 4*s.* which the wardens of the mystery of the Skinners, *London*, heretofore rendered and paid to us, and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the said late hospital; and all that our yearly rent of 4*s.* late parcel of the possesions or revenues of the said late hospital, yearly issuing out of lands and tenements now or late of *Ambrose Walle*, in the parish of St. *Dunstan* in the East, *London;* and also all that our rent of 4*s.* late being parcel of the possessions or revenues of the said late hospital, yearly issuing out of lands or tenements now or late of *William Turke*, in the parish of St. *Michael* in *Crooked lane, London;* and also all that our yearly rent of 3*s.* 1*d.* late parcel of the revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of lands and tenements now or late of *Cornelius Hayes*, in the parish of St. *Olave's*, in *Mark lane, London;* and also all that yearly rent of 2*s.* 4*d.* which the wardens of the parish church of St.

Botolph Without Aldgate, London, heretofore paid and rendered to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the late hospital aforesaid; and all that yearly rent of 4*s.* which the rector of the parish church of St. *Mary Matthew, London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the late hospital aforesaid; and also all that yearly rent of twelve pence which the wardens of the Clothworkers, *London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the said late hospital; and also all that yearly rent of 2*s.* 4*d.* which the wardens of the parish church of St. *Nicholas Acon, London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the said late hospital; and also all that yearly rent of 2*s.* 4*d.* late being parcel of the revenues of the said late hospital, yearly issuing out of lands and tenements now or late of *Oliver Dawbeney,* in the parish of *All Saints,* in *Fan Church London,* in right of the late hospital aforesaid; and also all that yearly rent of 6*s.* which the wardens of the mystery of the Drapers, *London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the late hospital aforesaid; and all that yearly rent of 8*s.* which the wardens of the mystery of the Goldsmiths, *London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the late hospital aforesaid; and also all that yearly rent of 32*s.* which the wardens of the parish church of St. *Michael* at *Greenhithe, London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the late hospital abovesaid; and also all that yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* which the wardens of the parish church of St. *Michael* in *Wood street, London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the late hospital aforesaid; and also all that yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* which the wardens of the Mercers, *London,* heretofore rendered and paid and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the said late hospital; and also all that yearly rent of 10*s.* which the master of the late college of St. *Laurence Pounteney, London,* heretofore rendered and paid and ought to render and pay in right

of the said late hospital; and also all that yearly rent of 9*s.* which the wardens of the late parish church of St. *Nicholas* at the *Shambles, London,* heretofore rendered and paid to us and now ought yearly to render and pay to us our heirs and successors in right of the said late hospital; and also all that yearly rent of 9*s.* which the sub-canons of the cathedral church of St. *Paul, London,* heretofore rendered and paid and ought to render and pay in right of the said late hospital; and also all that our yearly rent of 40*s.* late parcel of the revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of one tenement in which *Nicholas Taylour* now dwells, situate and being in the parish of St. *Saviour, Bermondsey,* in the said county of *Surrey;* and also all that our yearly rent of 10*s.*, late being parcel of the revenues of the said late hospital, yearly issuing out of one tenement called the Peacock, in the parish of St. *Saviour, Bermondsey* aforesaid, now or late in the tenure of the wardens of the church there; and also all that our yearly rent of twelve pence, late parcel of the revenues of the said late hospital, issuing out of one tenement in the tenure of *Thomas Nicholson,* in the parish of St. *Saviour, Bermondsey* aforesaid; and all that our messuage and tenement with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Edward Castell,* situate and being in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* at the *Shambles, London,* to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all our messuages tenements houses buildings shops cellars solars yards orchards gardens curtilages and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Richard Wylkenson* and *William Castey,* situate lying and being in *Knightrider street,* in our said city of *London,* to the said late hospital formely belonging and appertaining, and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all and singular our messuages houses buildings shops solars yards orchards gardens curtilages rents reversions services and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, in *Birchin lane, London,* and in the parish of St. *Olave's,* in *Southwark* aforesaid, to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining, and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and all our messuages tenements houses buildings stables shops cellars solars yards orchards gardens curtilages and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Henry*

Forthe, John Hawkins, and the wardens of the mystery of the Goldsmiths, *London,* or their assigns, or the assigns of either of them, situate lying and being in the parish of St. *Margaret Patten, London,* to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining, and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all those our messuages lands tenements houses buildings barns stables shops cellars solars yards orchards gardens and hereditaments whatsoever, with their appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Richard Thompson, Ralph Parker, Elizabeth Bartley, Valentine Domyell, John Levenothe, Alice Billyngton, Richard Cartwright,* and *Benedict Blunte,* or their assigns, or the assigns of either of them, situate lying and being in the said parish of St. *Saviour, Bermondsey* aforesaid, which was late the parish of the Blessed *Mary Magdalen,* in *Southwark* aforesaid, to the said late hospital formerly belonging and appertaining, and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all those our messuages lands tenements houses buildings yards orchards gardens curtilages and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Nicholas Stockbridge, John Kyttowe, James Johnson, John Crosse, John Sparrowe, Thomas Harvey, William Wilson, Richard Baynham, William Inglesby,* and *Nicholas Taylour,* or their assigns, or the assigns of either of them, situate lying and being in the parish of St. *Saviour,* in *Southwark,* late the parish of St. *Margaret,* there to the said hospital formerly belonging and appertaining, and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all and singular other our messuages lands tenements meadows pastures rents reversions services and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, in the said City of *London,* and in the suburbs of the same City, and in the said parish of St. *Saviour, Bermondsey,* and in *Southwark,* and *Lambeth, Camberwell, Wymbleton, Micham, Batricksey, Dunsfold,* and *Martha-Hill,* in the said county of *Surrey,* and in *Great Wakering,* in our said county of *Essex,* and in *Clyff,* in our said county of *Kent,* and elsewhere wheresoever in the same counties, to the said late hospital in anywise belonging or appertaining, or heretofore being had known accepted used or reputed as parcel of the possessions or revenues of the same late hospital; and also the reversions whatsoever of all and singular the premises and of every parcel thereof; and also the rents and yearly profits whatsoever

reserved upon any demises and grants whatsoever in anywise made of the premises, or of any parcel thereof, as fully freely and entirely, and in as ample manner and form as any master of the said late hospital, or Sir *John Gate*, knight, or any other or others, the premises or any parcel thereof heretofore having possessing or being seized thereof ever had held or enjoyed, or ought to have had held or enjoyed the same or any parcel thereof, and as fully freely and entirely, and in as ample manner and form as all and singular the same came or ought to have come to our hands, or to the hands of our most dear father *Henry* the Eighth, late King of *England*, by reason or pretext of any deed of gift grant or confirmation to us or to our said father in anywise made or granted, or by any other manner right or title whatsoever, and in our hands now are or ought to be or to have been, ALL and singular which premises above expressed and specified, with the appurtenances, are now extended in the whole at the clear yearly value of 160*l.*, TO HAVE hold and enjoy the aforesaid messuages lands tenements meadows pastures rectory advowson tithes rents reversions services and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, with their appurtenances, to the aforesaid *John Gresham*, *Rowland Hill*, *George Barnes*, and *William Blackwell*, their heirs and assigns for ever, to the use and behoof of the same *John*, *Rowland*, *George* and *William*, and their heirs and assigns for ever, TO HOLD all and singular the premises, with their appurtenances, except the aforesaid lands tenements and other the premises in *Wymbledon* and *Micham* aforesaid, of us our heirs and successors, as of our manor of East *Greenwich*, in our county of *Kent*, by fealty only in free socage for all services and demands whatsoever; AND TO HOLD the aforesaid lands tenements and other the premises in *Wymbledon* and *Micham* aforesaid, of us our heirs and successors *in capite*, by the service of the fortieth part of one knight's fee for all rents tenths services and demands whatsoever therefore to us our heirs and successors in anywise to be rendered paid or done; AND further of our more ample grace We give, and by these presents grant to the aforesaid *John Gresham*, *Rowland Hill*, *George Barnes*, and *William Blackwell*, all the issues revenues and profits of the aforesaid rectory messuages lands tenements rents and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, with their appurtenances, from the Feast of the Annun-

ciation of the Blessed Virgin *Mary* last past hitherto arising or growing, To HOLD to the same *John, Rowland, George,* and *William,* of our gift, without account, or any other thing therefore to us our heirs or successors in anywise to be rendered paid or done. AND moreover, of our more ample grace, we will, and for us our heirs and successors by these presents grant to the aforesaid *John Gresham, Rowland Hill, George Barnes,* and *William Blackwell,* their heirs and assigns, that we our heirs and successors for ever, yearly and from time to time, will discharge acquit and defend and save harmless as well the same *John, Rowland, George,* and *William,* their heirs and assigns, as the aforesaid lands tenements and other the premises, with their appurtenances, from all rents tenths services fees annuities and sums of money whatsoever in anywise issuing or payable out of the premises, and of every parcel thereof or thereupon charged or chargeable, except of the services above by these presents reserved, and except of the fee of the bailiff of the premises. WILLING, and by these presents firmly enjoining, We command as well the Chancellor and Surveyors-General and the Council of our Court of Augmentations and Revenues of our Crown, as all Receivers, Auditors, and others the officers and ministers of us our heirs and successors whomsoever for the time being, that they and every of them, upon the sole showing forth of these our letters patent or an enrolment of the same, without any other writ or warrant in anywise to be sued forth or prosecuted from us our heirs or successors, shall make, and from time to time cause to be made, to the aforesaid *John Gresham, Rowland Hill, George Barnes,* and *William Blackwell,* their heirs and assigns, full entire and due allowance and manifest discharge from all and all manner such corrodies rents tenths fees annuities and sums of money and charges whatsoever, issuing or payable out of the premises as is aforesaid or thereupon charged or chargeable, except before excepted. AND these our letters patent or an enrolment of the same shall be yearly and from time to time as well to our said Chancellor and Surveyors-General and the Council of our said Court of the Augmentations and Revenues of our Crown, as to all Receivers, Auditors, and other the officers and ministers whomsoever of us our heirs and successors for the time being a sufficient warrant and discharge in this behalf. AND moreover, of our more ample grace, We will, and by our royal authority which we employ for us our heirs and successors, by

these presents grant to the aforesaid *John Gresham, Rowland Hill, George Barnes,* and *William Blackwell,* their heirs and assigns, that the same *John, Rowland, George,* and *William,* their heirs and assigns, henceforth for ever have hold and enjoy and convert to their own proper uses, and may and shall be able to have hold and convert to their own proper uses the said rectory and church of *Great Wakering,* and all the lands glebes tithes oblations fruits emoluments and hereditaments whatsoever to the same rectory as is aforesaid belonging and appertaining, any law statute act ordinance provision or restriction to the contrary thereof had made passed ordained or provided, or any other thing cause or matter whatsoever in anywise notwithstanding, although express mention, &c. In testimony whereof, &c. WITNESS the King at *Westminster,* the 13th day of August.

By the King himself, &c.

Translated from an office copy of the original record.

H. G. HEWLETT, 2, Raymond's Buildings, Gray's Inn,
January 27, 1864.

Account of the Expenses incurred by the City of London in erecting and maintaining St. Thomas's and Christ's Hospitals, extracted from a volume among the Harleian Collection of MSS. in the British Museum, No. 604, p. 176 (147).*

A TRUE and short declaration of the state and charge of the new erected Hospitals in the City of *London,* 1553.

	£	s.	d.
The whole benevolence granted of all the citizens of *London* toward the erection of the two houses, that is to say, St. *Thomas* and *Christ's* Hospitals, as may most plainly appear in a fair book,† wherein the parish, ward, name, surname, and sum that every person gave thereunto is expressed, did amount unto	2476	10	0

* The cost of these two Hospitals to the City, is given by Stowe. A search was instituted for any contemporaneous account verifying his statement, which resulted in the discovery of this document among the Harleian Manuscripts at the British Museum. There is nothing to show the author, and no date except that in the heading; but the intrinsic evidence points to the paper being written at that time.

† No trace has been found of this book.

	£	s.	d.
The charges of the erection of these two houses and the furniture of them, as by most plain accounts may appear, doth amount to	2479	10	10

So is the charge greater than the benevolence, 3*l* 0*s*. 10*d*.

There is received into *Christ's* Hospital of fatherless and helpless children the number of 280, and into St. *Thomas'* Hospital of aged, sore, and sick persons, 260, and there is relieved in divers parishes within the City of *London* of poor decayed householders, with certain pensions and remain still in their houses, the number of 500 persons, so that the whole number that is relieved by this erection . . . . . 1140 persons.

There are daily lodged and fed in *Christ's* Hospital 280 children, and in St. *Thomas'* Hospital 260 persons, so that the whole number that are daily fed in both the said hospitals are 540 persons, and every one is allowed daily for their meat, bread, and drink, two pence, which amounts monthly to . . .

	£	s.	d.	YEARLY. £	s.	d.
	126	0	0	1638	0	0

There is also paid in the country for nourishing 100 children, at ten pence the week, one with the other, which amounts monthly to . . . .

	16	13	4	216	3	4

The board wages of 44 keepers of the same children and aged people in both the houses, with their washers, that is to every 15 persons one keeper, and every keeper hath 16 pence the week each of them, and two matrons 18 pence the week each of them, which amounts monthly to

	12	17	4	117	5	4

The apparel of all the said persons, that is to say, sheets, shirts, coats, caps, hose, shoes, paper, books, ink, which some time is more and some time is less, but by the precedent of this year,* as may appear by plain accounts, amounts to 180 0 0

Carried forward . . . £2,151 8 8

* This seems to fix the date as being 1553, the date in the heading.

	YEARLY. £	s.	d.
Brought forward . . .	2,151	8	8
There is also spent ordinarily in both the said houses in fuel, that is to say, in wood and coals, as also by the accounts thereof will appear, amounts yearly to	260	0	0
There is also given to decayed householders in sundry parishes of the City of *London*, to some more and to some less, as also may particularly appear by a fair book wherein the names are entered, yearly . .	468	0	0
There is also given to the Lazarhouses adjoining to the City, to the intent they shall not beg within the same, nor within three miles' compass thereof, except it be at their own doors, to the great annoyance of all such as have frequented the City in the term time, and at other times and places	60	0	0

There is also paid in ordinary fees, for the good government of the said houses, yearly, as followeth :—

To an Hospitaller, being a priest .	£10	0	0	
To 5 Surgeons, each of them 15*l.* .	75	0	0	
To 2 Stewards, each of them 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*	13	6	8	
To 2 Butlers, each of them 6*l.* . .	12	0	0	
To 2 Cooks, each of them 8*l.* . .	16	0	0	
To 4 Porters, each of them 6*l* . .	24	0	0	
To a Schoolmaster	15	0	0	
To an Usher	10	0	0	
To 2 Schoolmasters for the little ones, each of 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly . .	5	6	8	
To a Schoolmaster for writing . .	3	6	8	
To 2 Clerks	20	0	0	
To 2 Matrons, each of them 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly	5	6	8	
To 44 Women, each of them 2*l.* the piece yearly	88	0	0	
To 2 Men that carry wood and coals, and take charge of the same. .	4	0	0	—301 6 8
Thus may it appear that the ordinary charges of this new erection, as before hath been particularly described, amounts yearly to				*3291 5 4

* These figures should be £3240 15s. 4d., and the deficiency on the other side would be £196 19s. 8½d. instead of £247 9s. 8½d.

	YEARLY. £	s.	d.
Brought forward	3291	5	4
Toward the maintenance whereof there is collected by the gift and free alms of the Citizens of *London*, as may appear in a fair book, wherein is expressed the ward, parish, name, and sum that every person within the City giveth hereunto	2914	0	0
So is the ordinary charges of these two houses greater than the ordinary alms that is given for the maintenance of them, as may appear	377	5	4
Toward the discharge whereof there hath been given this year, by legacies and other gifts given by sundry charitable persons, as may also particularly appear, the sum	129	15	7½
So resteth to discharge the ordinary expenses, beside all manner of extraordinary expenses, as reparations, furniture of necessary implements, and many other charges, which certainly are very great,—247*l.* 9*s.* 8½*d.*, which sum hath been paid and disbursed by the governors of the said houses out of their own purses, which daily travail for the good order of them*	196	19	8½

* Unfortunately the accounts of the City, down to a period long subsequent to this, were destroyed by a fire in the Chamberlain's office, so that there is no means of verifying this account by an examination of the City's records, nor of ascertaining whether this payment was out of the City's cash, or made by the Aldermen and Commoners, whom the Corporation had appointed Governors of these Hospitals.

The Supplication made for Bridewell, and the Declaration to the Privy Council.

A Supplication made by the Assent of the Governors of the Poor, in the name of the same Poor, to the King's Majesty, for the obtaining of the House of Bridewell, A.D. 1552.*

For Jesu Christ's sake, right, dear, and most dread Sovereign Lord, we, the humble, miserable, sore, sick, and friendless people, beseech your gracious Majesty to cast upon us your eyes of mercy and compassion, who now by the mighty operation of the Almighty God, the citizens of London have already so lovingly and tenderly looked upon, that they have not only provided help for the maladies and diseases, and the virtuous education and bringing up of our miserable and poor children, but also have in a readiness most profitable and wholesome, occupations for the continuing of us and ours in godly exercise, by reason whereof we shall no more fall into that puddle of idleness, which was the mother and leader of us into beggary and all mischief, but from henceforth shall walk in that fresh field of exercise, which is the guider and begetter of all wealth, virtue, and honesty. But also most gracious Lord, except we find favor in the eyes of your Majesty, all this their travail, and our hope of deliverances from that wretched and vile state, cannot be attained for lack of harbour and lodging; and, therefore, most gracious Sovereign, hear us speaking in Christ's name, and for Christ's sake have compassion on us, that we may lie no longer in the street for lack of harbour, and that our old sore of idleness may no longer vex us, nor grieve the commonweal, our suit, most dear Sovereign, is for one of your Grace's houses called *Bridewell*, a thing no doubt, both unmeet for us to ask of your Majesty, and also to enjoy, if we asked the same for our sinful living and unworthiness sake; but we, as the poor members of our Saviour Jesu Christ, sent by him, most humbly sue to your Majesty, in our said Master's name, Jesu Christ, that we, for his sake, and for the service that he hath done to your Grace, and all the faithful commons of your realm in spending his most dear and precious blood for you and us, may receive in reward at your Majesty's hands,

* Mr. Firth does not seem to have known of this supplication. It is taken from the Report of the Charity Commissioners, No. 32, part 6, p. 387. In order of date it should precede some of the other documents, but it was thought desirable to keep together those relating to St. Thomas's Hospital.

given to us, his members (which of his great mercy he accounteth and accepteth in our behalves as granted and given to himself) the same, your Grace's house, as a most acceptable gift and great obligation offered unto him; and then, not we, but he, our said Master and Saviour, which already hath crowned your Majesty with an earthly crown, shall, according to his promise, crown your Grace with an everlasting diadem, and place you in the palace of eternal glory; and not we only, but the whole congregation and church spread throughout the whole world, shall and will, night and day, call and cry incessantly unto our said loving and sweet Saviour and Master to preserve and defend your Majesty both now and for ever.

To the delivery of the aforesaid supplication were appointed

SIR MARTIN BOWES, Kn^{t}.	MASTER LODGE,
*SIR ROWLAND HILL, Kn^{t}.	MR. BROWN,
SIR ANDREW JUD, Kn^{t}.	MR. MARSHE,
*SIR JOHN GRESHAM, Kn^{t}.	MR. BLONDELL,
*SIR JOHN AYLEPH, Kn^{t}.	MR. BARTHELET,
MASTER WILLIAM CHESTER,	RICHARD GRAFTON.

EXTRACTS FROM THE LETTER BOOKS,† REPERTORIES OF THE COURT OF ALDERMEN, AND JOURNALS OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL.‡

Martis, xi. Octobris, anno sexto *Edwardi* Sexti.

Item, at the requeste of Syr *Martin Bowes*, Knight, it was agreed that *John Brambrough* shall have the goode wyll and favour of this Courte to be preferryd to some clerkeship or other rome in one of the newly erected hospitalls. [Rep. 12, No. 2, fol. 534 *b*.]

* Three of these names, Sir Rowland Hill, Sir John Gresham, and Sir John Ayleph, appear in another good work, the purchase of St. Thomas's Hospital, vide ante, p. 3.

† The so called Letter Books are ancient books in the Town Clerk's office, distinguished by letters; they go back to a very early period, but have not been continued in modern times. They are all of parchment; and it seems to have been the practice to enter in them anything affecting the City it was thought desirable to preserve.

‡ The following extracts are very numerous down to the end of the reign of Elizabeth, a period embracing the early struggles of these great Institutions, and they show the great interest uniformly taken in them by the City. There are scarcely any entries in Mr. Firth's book relating to this period, he skips from the 9th to the 30th of Elizabeth, a period of 21 years.

Jovis, 22 Junii. anno 7 *Edwardi* Sexti.

At this Corte the Counterpayne of the Indenture made betwyne the Kinges highnes and this his graeious cytie of *London*, for and concernynge the gyfte and graunte of *Brydewelle* and of the landes and parcell of the goodis of the *Savoy* to the saide Cytie, to and for the relyf and mayntenawnee of the poore, and divers other godly uses and intents mentioned in the said indentures, was here rede, and sealed with the common seale of the said Cytie, in the presence and the assente and consente of *George Medeleye*, *Roger Martyn*, *Thomas Lok*, *Thomas Heaton*, and *Humfrey Baskervyle*, Mercers; *Thomas Bowyer*, *Thomas Lodge*, *Edmund Style*, and *Edward Fowler*, Grocers; *Thomas Clayton* and *David Johnis*, Bakers; *John Lute* and *Nicholas Smalle*, Clothworkers; *George Foyster*, Cryer; *Richard Maunselle*, Scryvener; *Edmonde Key*, Salter; *Thomas Lorymer*, Inholder; *Johan Mynors*, Draper; *George Tailour* and *William Bower*, Haberdashers; *John Nyxon*, Dyer; *Anthony Neale*, *Nicholas Johnson*, *Johan Grocock*, and *Johan Wykes*, Goldsmythes; *Thomas Mydleton*, Skynner; *Johan Kynge*, Talough chandler; and also a generalle letter of Attorney made by the Lorde Mayor and Cominaltie and Cytyzens of the said cytie to Mr. *Chester*, Alderman, and Mr. *Marshe*, comen serjannte of the said Cytie, for to take order with the cyties tenaunts of their landes and tenements at *Calyce*,* and for the receipte of theire rentes, and for the same landes, was lykewyse red and sealed by the said consente. [Rep. 13, fol. 60.]

Jovis, 29 Junii, anno 7 *Edwardi* Sexti.

Agreed that it and the Cyties parte of the indentures made betwyin the Kinges Majestie and the Cytie for and concerninge the gifte and conveyance of the mannor or house of *Brydewelle* and the landes of the *Savoye* to the same Cytie shulde be delyvered over to Mr. Alderman *Aylyf*† and Mr. Comen Serjannte accordingely as the Cyties deedes. [Rep. 13, fol. 63.]

* Query Calais. The spelling in these old entries is very bad, not only of proper names, but also of ordinary words, which are often spelt differently in the same entry.

† This name, for instance, is spelt on the last page Ayleph.

Jovis, 9 Novembr., anno primo Dominæ Reginæ.*

Item, Mr. *Dobbys*, Mr. *Garrarde*, and Mr. *Lodge*, Aldermen, and *Robert Hartop* and *Raynes*, Goldesmythes, *Richard Alyn*, *William Wode*, and *Hughe Pope*, Haberdashers, *Hamon Amcotes*, fysshemonger, *William Tucker*, *Lyners*, and *Ranf Greneway*, groeers, *Symon Lowe*, marehannte, *Phyllipp Gunter*, Skynner, and *James Altam*, elotheworker, were this day nominated and apoynted to be surveyors and governors of the hospytall within *Newegate*, ealled *Cristes* Hospitall, for the yere insuenge, in the stedes and plaee of so many of th'auneyente surveyors and governors there whieh are now to be removed and diseharged. [Rep. 13, fol. 93 *b*.]

Adhuc Martis, 13 Novembr., anno primo et secundo Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ, fol. 228.

Item, this daye Sir *Martyn Bowes*, Sir *Andrewe Judde*, Sir *Johan Aylyf*, Knightes and Aldermen, were nomynated and appoyntyd to governe and oversee the Hospytalles of *Chryste* and Sainte *Thomas* for the yere insuenge, albeit that they have alreadye served theire fulle tyme therein, and Mr. *Thomas Offley*, Alderman, *Robert Trappes*, goldesmythe, *George Heton*, merehaunt tailor, *John Roger*, mereer, *Edmonde Style*, Groeer, *Nicholas Theme*, haberdasher, *William Gonner*, Salter, *Roland Heywarde*, elotheworker, *Richard Buckeland*, haberdasher, *William Cheverall*, Draper, and *Sare* were lykewyse eleetyd and appoyntyd to joyne with *Guy Wade*, merehannte, and the other Commoners heretofore assigned for the governmente and survey of the saide houses by the spaee of ii yeres nowe nexte insuenge, aeeordynge to the ordynannee made and provydyd in that behalf † [Rep. 13, fol. 229.]

Martis, 8 Octobr., anno secundo et tertio Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.

Item, this daye, for eertayne especiall eauses and eonsideracions movynge the Courte, it was orderyd and agryed by the Courte here that Sir *Richarde Dobbes* and Sir *John Aylyf*, Knightes and Alder-

* Mary.

† The ordinances now extant were not made until three years after this date.

men, and also *John Blundell*, mercer, and *Richarde Grafton*, grocer, and *John Essexe*, haberdasher, shall still remayne in the romes of the governorsshipe and surveyorshipe of *Chryste* and Saynte *Thomas* Hospitalles, albeit that they have already taken payne and surveyd in the sayde romes by the tyme apoynted for the same. And as for the nomynacion and apoyntemente of other aldermen and commoners to be newely namyd and assotiat unto theyme for the ii yeres nowe next insuenge the Courte agryde to be advysyd thereof untill the nexte Courte day. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 331.]

Martis, 15 die Octobris, anno secundo et tertio Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.

Item, it was agryed and orderyd by the Courte, for dyvers reasonable consideracions movynge the same at this presente, that the goodes of of *Suthewerk*, which he by reason of a certayne murder lately by hyme done, hath thereby loste and forfett to the use of the mayre and cominalty and eytyzens of this eytie,* shall for this once be hrbye gevyn and delyveryd to the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospytall there, to the use of the same hospytall and of the poore people therein of the free gyfte of this Courte. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 333.]

Martis, quarto Februarii, anno secundo et tertio Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.

Item, it was agryed and orderyd by the Courte here that Mr. Chamberlyne shall delyver over to the prieste of the hospitall in *Suthewerke* the altar table that he had from *Bethlem*, to be sett up within the churche of the saide hospytall for the garyshinge of the saide churche. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 365.]

Mercurii, 28 Octobris, anno tertio et quarto Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.

At this Courte Mr. *Bowes*, Mr. *Judde*, Mr. *Garrard*, and Mr. *Lodge*, Aldermen, and Mr. Comen Serjaunte, were appointyd to joyne with the governors and surveyors of the ii several howses of

* The Corporation are entitled to felons' goods in Southwark.

Chrystes Churche and St. *Thomas* Hospitall, in *Suthewerk,* in the makyng of some newe devyses for th'orderynge of the youthe and pore people in the same howses, in suche sorte and forme that neyther of the same howses be from hensforth chargyd with a more number then they may conveynyently be liable to fynde and keape. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 443.]

Martis, 23 Februarii, anno tertio et quarto Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.

Item, it was orderyd and agryed by the Courte heare this day that my masters thaldermen that nowe are Governers and Surveyors of *Chryste* Hospytall within *Newgate,* and the other governors of the same hospytall, shall by theire sad dyscrecions take such order and direction with Mr. Secretary *Borne* for the savynge and inclosyng of a parcell of the Cytye's grounde at *Westminster,* gevyn unto the saide Cytye by one *Castelle,* a shomaker, there to the use of the pore within the saide hospytall, lyenge on the bakeside of his howse there, as to them shall seame meate and covenyente. So alwayes as neare as they canne that neyther the Cytyes tenemtes there lose commodyty of easemente or be moche grevyd thereby; and also that all suche orders and agrementes as they shall take therein and assente unto with hyme the saide Mr. *Borne* for the premysses be playnely and substantyally put in wrytyng betwyne the Cyty and hyme. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 484.]

Jovis, sexto Maii, anno tertio et quarto Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.*

Item, for greate and urgent consyderacions and causes especiallye movynge the Courte, it was this day grauntyd, agryd, and enactyd by the same, that all the gayne, profytte, and revenue at any tyme from hensforewarde comynge, growenge, or arysynge of the severall

* This important grant seems also to have remained unknown. The profit arising from these offices was considerable. It shows how extensive was the power then exercised by the Court of Aldermen, that their authority alone was sufficient to alienate the City's property. The particular duties were collected at Blackwell Hall, upon a part of the site of which the Bankruptcy Court in Basinghall Street now stands, and they were long enjoyed by Christ's Hospital.

offyeys, deputations, and romes hereafter mentionyd to the Cytyes use, eyther by forfeyture or otherwise, that is to sey, of the measurage of canvas, lynnyn, clothe, and sylk, the searchinge and sealynge of wollen clothes, and the measuring of cottons, shall alwayes go and be applyed and convertyde to the use, mayntenaunce, and relyf of the poer childern in *Criste's* Hospitall, and of thother hospitalles of the Cyty. Savynge alwayes to the Chamber of *London* alle suche yerely rentes and fermes as heretofore have byn accustomyd to be paide to the use of the coymonalty of the saide Cytye for the said offices, deputations, and romes, or any of them; and savynge also to alle and every other persone and persones all such former righte, title, and intereste as they or any of them now have or hath to or in the same offices, deputations, and romes, or any of them. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 505 *b.*]

Jovis, Vicesimo Maii, annis tertio et quarto Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.

Item, yt was orderyd that the sute made unto this Courte by Mr. *Grafton* and other the Governors of the Cytyes hospitalles of *Chryste* Churche and Saynte *Thomas* in *Suthwerk*, for and concernynge certeyne persones to be officers shal be respyted till the ende of the terme that Mr. Recorder and the other counsellors of the Cyty may conveynyently peruse the statute lately made concernyng theire said sute. [Rep. 13, No. 2, fol. 510 *b.*]

Jovis, 10 Februarii, annis quarto et quinto Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.]

At this Courte it was orderyd and agryed that *John Marshe*, mercer, nowe Treasorer of the Howse of the Pore in *Smytheffelde*, shall have allowannse and be clerely dischardgyd upon his nexte accompte of the hole somme of lxxxxiiii^{li} vi*s.* 1*d.*, of which he by thassignement of the righte worshipfull *Martyn Bowes*, Sir *Rolande Hill* and Sir *Andrewe Judde*, Knightes and Aldermen of this Cyty, and other the Governors at this present of the sayde howse, hathe lately payd and delyveryd over by way of prest to *John Sayer*, nowe Treasorer of Saynt *Thomas* Hospitall in *Suthewerk*, for the clere

dischardgynge and satysfaction of alle suche dettes as thofficers of the saide hospytall dyd owe at the tyme of theire laste accompte not havynge in theire hands of the revenues of the same hospitall wherewith to pay the same. [Rep 14, fol. 7.]

Mercur., 28 Septembr., annis 5° et 6° Philippi et Mariæ, Regis et Reginæ.]

Item, this day the names of my masters thaldermen and commoners of this Cytie newelye nominated electe and chosen by the governours of the hospitalles and houses of the poore of this Cytie and of *Bridewell* to joyne and travaille with certen of the olde governours of the same hospytalles remayning in the saide offyce for the yere insuinge presentyd here by *Richard Grafton,* grocer, one of the saide old governours, were here rede ratefyed and allowyd which names togither with the names of the saide houses and hospytalles wherunto they arre severally allottyd and appoynted herafter insue, viz.—

Sir Martin Bowes, Knighte, Comptroller Generalle.
Sir Rowland Hyll, Knighte, Surveyour Generalle.

[Here follow lists of the Governors of Saint *Bartholomew's* Hospital, *Christ's* Hospital, *Bridewell* and *St. Thomas's*].*

[Rep. 14, fol. 72 *b et seq.*]

Jovis, 20mo die Aprilis, anno primo Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, yt was agreyd that Mr. Chamberleyn shall paye those xli which he receyvyd of the Quenes Majesties Almoner as her highness almes to the Governers of St. *Thomas* Hospytall in *Southwarke* to th'use and for the relyfe of the poore there. [Rep. 14, fol. 155].

* It has not been thought necessary to encumber this book by setting out these names. It is to be observed that the ordinances for the government of all the four hospitals having been made in the preceding year, the election of Governors would, in pursuance of these ordinances, have taken place at Christ's Hospital on St. Matthew's day (21st September), and be duly presented to this the next Court of Aldermen for their confirmation and allowance. The entries in the two next following years are also given. They occur with almost perfect regularity down to 1616, after which period they become very irregular.

Jovis, 28 Septembr., anno primo Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, the nominacon and election of my masters the Aldermen and worshipfull commoners of this Cytie appoynted by the right worshipfull Sir *Martyn Bowes* and Sir *Rowland Hill*, Knyghtes, and other their associates governours at this present of alle the Cyties Hospitalles to stonde and be governors of the sayd hospitalles for the yere now next insuynge here presentyd this day by the sayd Sir *Martyn Bowes* and his companyons was ratefyed and confyrmed in every poynt by the hole Court. The tenoar whereof hereafter insueth in these wordes—Yt may please your lordship to be advertysed that the xxvii^th^ day of September, anno 1559, we the governors of the hospytalles of this Cytie of *Londone* assembled together at *Christes* Hospitalle accordynge to our accustomed manner have nominatyd and appoynted and elected certeyne Aldermen and citizens to serve in the sayd hospytalles for the yere ensuynge most humbly beseechinge your lordship and bretherene to ratyfy and confyrme the same nomination and election.

Sir Martyn Bowes, Knyght, Comptroller Generalle.
Sir Roland Hille, Knyght, Surveygher Generalle.

The names of those that continued one yere and must remayne another. (Here follow the names.)

The names of those that are now electyd to serve for the yere insuynge. (Here follow the names.) [Rep. 14, fol. 216].

Jovis, 25 Januarii, anno secundo Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, this day the draught of a payre of indentures made bytwene the Mayer and coymonaltye and Cytezens of this Cytie as governors of the hospytalles of *Chryst*, *Brydewelle*, and Seynte *Thomas* the Apostle, on the one partie, and the master and wardeyns and brethren and systers* of the Guylde or fraternytye of *Corpus Christi* of Skynners of *London* on the other partye, for the usynge and imployinge of the summe of c^li^ of currauntе Englysshe money, gevyne of late by one *Thomas Hunt*, Skynner, to

* The Skinners' Company to this day preserve their ancient title of brethren and sisters.

the use of the sayd hospytalles, accordynge to the intent and purport of the last will and testament of the said *Hunt* was redd and agreyd that the same shalbe ingrosed in parchement, and sealyd and delyvered over for the Cyties deede accordynglye. [Rep. 14, fol. 281*b*.]

Martis, 15 Octobris, anno secundo Dominæ Elizabethæ, Reginæ, etc.

Item, this day Mr. Alderman Bowes brought in here the names of all the governors of the Cyties Hospytalles hereunder namyd and that are appoynted and newly elected accordynge to the forme of the actes and ordenaunces of this Cytie in that behalf provided and made, to serve and take paynes and travayle for the governaunce of the same hospytalles for the yere insuynge the names of all the governors hereafter insue in these words—Governours elected the xiiii^th^ of October, anno 1560, for the government of *Chrystes*, St. *Bartholomew*, *Brydewelle*, and St. *Thomas* Hospytalles.

(Here follow the names.*)

[Rep. 14, fol. 391*b* *et seq.*]

Jovis, 27 Martii, anno 3° Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, it was this day orderyd by the Courte here that as sone as the number of the pore people nowe beinge in the Cyties Hospitall in *Suthewerke*, which at this presente is cxl, as *Sayer*, one of the governors of the said howse informed the courte here this daye, shalbe brought unto one c. cyther by dethe or otherwyse, that the governors of the same howse for the tyme beinge shall not atte enye tyme from thensfurthe suffer the poore people in that howse to exceede the same number of one c. persons atte once, nor enye greater number there to remayne. And the said *Sayer* was streightlye commaundyd by

* This is the last entry in which the titles of Comptroller General, and Surveyor General, are given to two of the Governors. It has not been thought necessary to repeat in this book these entries of confirmation every year, and two more only are set out, one in the 6th of Elizabeth, as a new and more elaborate form of confirmation was then used for the first time, and thenceforth continued; and one at the close of the century (1600), to show the ordinances were still observed.

the Courte to see that order be theire taken furthwith by hym and his company, and theire that theire be no more pore folkes newly receyved into the said howse untyll suche tyme as the seid number of exl. be decresed and brought under the sed number of c. persons. And for the releif of the seid *Sayer* and his companye with redye money towardes the affayers of the seid howse atte this presente, it was orderyd that the treasorer of the howse of the pore in Weste *Smythfelde* shall withowte delaye delyver and paye unto theyme e^li^. [Rep. 14, fol. 465; also in Letter Book T., fol. 33 *b.*]

Martis, 6 Maii, anno 3° Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

At this Court yt was orderyde and agreyde for dyvers consideracons movynge the same Court that the Chamberlyn shall presently deliver and pay unto *John Sayer,* one of the governors of the Cyties hospytalle in *Suthwerke,* by way of prest, e^li^,* and that the same e^li^ shalbe truely repayed unto the said Chamberlyn at Mychehaelmas nowe next commynge, by the handes of Mr. Alderman *Lodge,* accordynge to suche order as this court shall then take for the same. [Rep. 14, fol. 478.]

Jovis, 24 die Julii, anno 3° Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, for certayne causes and consideracons especially movynge the Court here this day, yt was agreyd and orderyd by the same that alle the evidences wrytynges and munementes belonging to the severall hospitalles of this Cytie and also to *Brydewelle* and the house of the pore in *Smythfelde,* shall with convenyent spede be brought into this halle, and here be saufly bestowed in chestes under sundrye kayes to every chest, whereof the Chamberlyn of this cytie for the tyme beynge alwayes to have one and certeyne of the governors of the said howses the residue, not only to the entent that the same wrytynges may be saufly kept, but also that they shalle not be seyne or medlyd withall without the pryvatie and consent of the sayd Chamberlyn. [Repertory 14, fol. 512 *b.*]

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* £100.

Martis, 29 Julii, anno 3° Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item. Where at the last Court here holdyn yt was orderyd and agreyd that alle the Evidence and wrytynges concernynge the Cyties londes and tenements belongynge to their severalle hospytalles of *Chryst* and St. *Thomas* in *Suthwerke* and *Brydewelle* and the howse of the power in *Smythefeld* should be brought into this Halle, here to be sauffly preservyd bestowed and kepte, as by the order acte and decree of the same Court more playnly yt dothe appere, my masters the Aldermen hereunder namyd beynge severally governors of the said severalle houses, were this day assygned and apoynted by the Court here to calle unto theyme severally one of the Commoners of every of the said howses, beynge governors also of the same howses and to see alle thinges accordynge to the said order and decree concernynge the conveyaunce and brynginge of the said Evidence and wryttynges into this halle to be truely and dyligently observyd and done: That ys to saye, Mr. Alderman *Harper* for *Chrystes* Hospytalle; Mr. *John White,* Alderman, for the House of the Pore; Mr. Alderman *Champyon* for St. *Thomas* Hospytalle, and Mr. *Baskerfeld* for *Brydewelle.* [Rep. 14, fol. 515; also in Letter Book T., fol. 46 *b.*]

Veneris, xix Septembris, anno tertio Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, it was agreid that my lorde Mayor shalle lende at this present unto *John Sayer,* one of the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitalle in *Southwark,* one hundred poundes of the Cyties money nowe remayninge in his Lordeshippes handes, being parcel of the Wheate money, to releve and ease the said *Sawyer* withall for a season, forasmuche as he the saide hathe alredye disbursed a greate summe of his owne propre money aboute the affayeres of the said howse. [Rep. 14, fol. 532]*

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* There are a great many similar entries of advances either out of the City's cash, or by one Hospital to another, by order of the Court of Aldermen; but, a few being given as examples, it is not thought necessary to insert them all. The majority are cases of advance to St. Thomas's Hospital.

Quarto die Novembris, anno Reginæ Elizabethæ tertio.

Item, Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Rowe,* Aldermen, were apointed by the Courte here this day to repaire with spede to *Richard Grafton,* Grocer, to gett out of his kepinge all such writinges and evidences as he hath consernyng eny of the cities landes belonging to eny of the hospitalles of the same City. [Rep. 15, fol. 2.]

Martis, septimo die Aprilis, anno regni Reginæ Elizabethæ quarto.

Item, Yt was orderyd by the Courte here this daye that *Coye* and *Rogeson,* Clerkes of my Lorde Mayors Courte, shalle by the oversight of Mr. *Martyn* and Mr. *Rowe,* Aldermen, take a viewe and make a kalendre of alle the Evydences and wrytynges concernynge the Cyttyes landes and tenementes belonginge to the Hospitalles and howse of the pore whiche nowe be and remayne in the howse and undre the custodye of the sayd Mr. Alderman *Martyn,* and that they shall by theire good dysereacions devyse and cause to be preparyd at the cyttyes chardges some handsome chest or other apte and convenyent place within this Halle with spede safely to repose and kepe the said Evydences and other wrytynges into the Cyttyes use. [Letter-Book T, fol. 91*b*.]

Martis, 14 Aprilis, anno quarto Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, William Dalby and *Roger Trigge,* gent., were apointed by the Court here this day to tacke a copy of thartieles comprised within the quenes majesties writt awarded out of Mr. *Osbornes* office of thexcheker concernyng the cities hospitalles, and to consider the cities title and intrest in the same hospitalis, and then to drawe aunswers to enye of the same artieles and to take Mr. Recorder and Mr. *Suthcotes* advise therein. [Rep. 15, fol. 61*b*.]

Martis, 3 Novembris, anno iiii^to^ Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, att this Court it was ordered that *John Sayer* of *Southwerk,* late one of the cities governors of the cities Hospitall of St. *Thomas* there, shall on this side Sonday next coming acknowledge in the Chauncery unto *Laurence Withe,* Salter, *Richard Fulkes,* Clothworker, *Jeames Bacon,* fyshmonger, and *Thomas Peirson,* scrivener, foure of the governors of the saide house, a recognizance of cc^li^ to be indorsed with condicone not only to yelde and make untoo the saide recognizees on this side the last day of the month of February now next comynge, a good just true and perfit accompt and reconinge of all and singuler such goodes and catalles, rents, revenues and profettes as att eny tyme heretofore came unto his handes and possession whiles he was offieer of the saide house and by colour and meane of the saide office, but also truely and holly too to satisfy content and paye or cause to be paide too the saide recognizees on this side the last day of February, all and every such summe and summes of money as upon the determynacion of his saide accompt and reconyng shalbe founde to be due and owinge by hym untoo the saide recognizees. [Rep. 15, fol. 139.]

Jovis, 5 Novembris, anno iiii^to^ Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, it was ordered that diligent searche shalbe made for all such indentures and writinges as concerne eny of the londes belonging to eny of the cities hospitalles and now be abrode in other men's handes, and that they shalbe called for and brought in here, and be delivered over and bestowed where they ought most aptly too remaine. [Rep. 15, fol. 139 *b.*]*

* Notwithstanding these many orders for the preservation of the deeds relating to the Hospitals among the City's records, they were all dispersed. The following are at Christ's Hospital; Charter, 11 Sept. 36 Henry VIII.; the Indenture of Covenants, 12 June, 7 Edward VI.; Charter, 26 June, 7 Edward VI. The Royal Commission to enquire into the Hospitals, 25 Charles II., and the ordinances of 1557 were there in 1682

Jovis, 15° die Julii, anno v^to^ Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

At this Courte a letter of Attorney made by the Lord Maior and Aldermen of this City, as governors of the cyties hospitalles, to *Roger Trige, Christopher Sandes,* and *Richard Reason,* officers of the saide hospitalles, to gather in levy and receyve the rentes and other thinges due unto the said hospitalles, and to make entrees into the said londes and tenements of the said hospitalles to the cities use for nonpayment of the rentes and for the breache of other covenaunts on the behalf of the fermers and occupiers of the same londe and tenements, was sealed with the seale especially apointed for the affayres of the same hospitalles.* [Rep. 15, fol. 267.]

Martis, 18 Januarii, anno 6 Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, Mr. *Chester,* Mr. *Martyn,* and Mr. *Baskerfilde,* Aldermen, were this daye assigned by the Courte here to calle the generalle audytours and treasorers of all the cytyes hospitalles before them, and to viewe and examyne the last accomptes of alle the saide houses or hospitalles, and to trye what monye nowe restyth in alle theyre handes whereby *Ambrose Nicholas,* Salter, one of the governors of the saide house of the poore, maye be repayde of alle suche mony as he of his owne propre hathe dysbursydde and layde oute abowte the necessary affayres of the sayde house. [Rep. 15, fol. 299.]

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28 Septembris, vi^to^ Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, this daye Mr. *Lawrence Wyther Salter,* one of the Governors of the house of the poore, brought in and presentyd to the Courte here the names and surnames of suche of any masters th Aldermen and of the worshipfulle comoners of this Cytye as he and other the Governors of the Cytyes Hospytalles have of late accordynge to thordre here taken for the same, nominatyd and electyd to governe rule and order the seid Hospitalles, and alle the landes and tenements, rentes, revenues, possessions and goodes be-

* It is worthy of note that this power of attorney, according to this entry is made by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen alone, although the "Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens" were the legal owners of the property; but it is possible that the entry is inexact, and that the power was in proper form.

longinge to the seyd Hospitall for the yere nowe next ensuynge, humbly besecchinge the seyde Courte to ratyfie and allowe the same theire ellection yf yt shalle seme good to the seid Courte so to doe, which seyd election after good and mature consideracion thereof the Courte dyd fully ratyfye confirme and allowe in every poynte in suche wise as the same hereafter dothe trulye ensue in these words Yt may please your Lordeshippe to be advertysed that the xxist daye of September, 1564, at *Chryste's* Hospytalle accordynge to our accustomyd maner and there have nominatyd and elect certein Aldermen and Cytyseins to serve in the saide Hospitalles for the yere ensuynge, most humbly besechynge your Lordeshippe and bretheren to ratyfye and confirme the same nominacion and election. [The names of the Governors then follow.*] [Rep. 15, fol. 378.]

Nono Novembris, anno regni Reginæ Elizabethæ sexto, etc.

Item, the Courte have this daye agreyd that for theire parte *Thomas Fletewoode* and *Richarde Wylbram,* gentlemen, shall have the hearynge and determynacon of the matter in varyaunce betwene the eytye of *London* and certein gentlemen and yomen of *Buckynghamshere,* for and concernynge the ryghte tytle and interest of the said gentlemen and yomen to and in the commen that they clayme to have in a certein medowe of the cytyes callyd *Southmeade,* belongynge to St. *Thomas* Hospytalle, lying in the parishe of in the saide countie, the which mede they the seid gentlemen and yomen have and be owners in fee of sundry parcelles of land. And *Saunders,* one of the sayde gentlemen, hathe Thursdaye next to declare the names of those two gentlemen that they for their partes wille appoynte to joyne with the saide *Fletewoode* and *Wylbram* for the tryalle of the said matters. [Rep. 15, fol. 391*b*.]

Martis, xiiii^mo^ Novembris, anno regni Reginæ Elizabethæ sexto.

Item, this day *Thomas Saunders* of *Uxbrydge,* in the Countye of *Middlesex,* gentleman, dyd here reporte unto the Courte that he

* The names of the Presidents are given for the first time in this entry. See note p. 45.

and alle the residue of the inhabitants within the saide towne of *Uxbrydge,* beinge owners of eny londe within the cities comen medowe in the parishe of *Denhan,* in the County of *Bucks,* called *Southmede,* and also Sir *Robert Burye,* Knyght, and Mr. *Edmund* and *Thomas Wynsore,* Esquires, having londes also within the said medowe, and welle contentyd to stonde to suche ordre and determynacon as the gentlemen here namyd and appoynted by this courte and him the last courte daye, and Mr. *Wyghtman,* of the parishe of *Harrowe uppon the Hille,* in the saide Countye of *Myddlesex,* shall take and make betwene them and this cytye for and consernynge alle suche ryghte, tytle, and interest of comen as they doe cleyme within the said medowe, and for the performance herof he the same *Saunders,* for himself and for alle the persons above namyd, dyd further entre into bonde as hereafter dothe ensue, and *Nicholas Holmes,* of *Denham* aforesaid, dyd lykewyse entre into bonde for the citie as followeth—[here follows the Bond]. [Rep. 15, fol. 392.]

Quinto Junii, anno regni Reginæ Elizabethæ vii°.

Item, this daye the deade indentyd and th'indenture trypartyte, whereby the righte worshipfulle Sir *Martyn Bowes,* Knyghte, hathe gyven londes and tenementes to the yerely value of xxiiii^li^ to th'use of the Mayor and comonaltye and cytyseins of this cytye, being the governors of th'ospitalles of *Chrystchurche, Brydewelle,* and St. *Thomas,* beinge redde, it was orderyd that one parte of the sayd deade and one parte of th'indenture trypartyte be sealyd with the comen seale of the sayd hospitalles, etc.* [Rep. 15, fol. 445 *b.*]

Dominica,† 29 Septembris, anno octavo Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Att this Court yt was orderyd and agreyd for dyvers good causes and consideracions charitabelye movinge the same, that the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitalle, in *Southworke,* shall, atte the charges of the sayd howse, provyde and gette some honest and well

* Sir Martin Bowes was not only one of the most active founders of the Hospitals, but thus largely endowed them with his property.

† A Court of Aldermen or Common Council held on Sunday, was not so uncommon an event then as it would be now-a-days.

lernyd phisicion, to loke diligently at all tymes heneeforth to the pore sycke and weeke persons within the sayd howse, and that off as sone as they can convenyently and as good cheape. [Rep. 16, fol. 115 *b.*]

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25 Febr., anno 9 Dominæ Elizabethæ, etc.

Item, It was ordered that the Chamberlyn shall redelyver to *John Jaxson,* the Tresorer of *Chryste's* Hospytall, the eharter of King *Edward* the Sixt, made unto the Cyties Hospitall, whieh he lately had and reeeyved of hym. [Rep. 16, fol. 167.]

Jovis, 17 die Aprilis, anno 9 Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.*

Att this Courte the Towne Clerke, by order of the same Court, delivered unto *Reson,* the Clerke of St. *Thomas* Hospitall in *Suthwarke,* the eyties letters patents of anno 5 regis *Edwardi* VI of the purchase of the sayd Hospitall, to be used this present term in the Exeheker for the eities benefitt, and then to be restored here bak ageine. [Rep. 16, fol. 187*b.*]

Martis, 10 die Junii anno 9 Dominæ Elizabethæ.

Item, yt was this daye orderyd by the Court here for divers good eauses and consideraeons movinge, that all the eyties hospitalles shall verye shortly be surveyed by Sir *William Garrard,* Knight and Alderman, and the worshipful governors of the same hospitalles, to understand perfitely the estates and eondieons of every of the same hospitalles, and whether eny thinge, use, or order be nowe had or maynteyned within any of the same hospitalles whieh is not worthey nor mete to be tolerated, but to be reformed and amended, and that they shall geve knowledge thereof to this Court. [Rep. 16, fol. 222 *b.*]

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* What this suit in the Exchequer was about is not known, its existence appears before, under date 14th April, 4th Elizabeth, p. 48.

Jovis, decimo Julii, anno 9 Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, it was this day agreyde and ordered by the Court here that *John Jaxson,* founder, Tresorer of *Christes* Hospitall, shall without delay pay unto Mr. *James Bacon,* Alderman, one e^{li} in parte of payment of such money as he hath alredy disbursed and laid out of his owne proper money aboute the necessary affaires of St. *Thomas* Hospitall in *Southwark.* And that this present acte, order, and agrement of this Court shalbe his sufficient warrant and discharge for the same. [Rep. 16, fol. 248 *b.*]

Martis, 29 Julii, anno 9 Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, this day Mr. *Garrard,* Mr. *Offley,* Mr. *Chester,* Mr. *White,* Mr. *Rowe,* Mr. *Becher,* and Mr. *Hardyng,* Aldermen, were assigned to peruse, view, and understande perfectly the estate and condycons of all the Cyties Hospytalls, and to reforme and avoyd all such misdowers as they shall fynd in eny of them either in the resceipte and mayntenance of any more or greater number of povertie or children in eny of theym than ther ought to be or otherwise by eny wayes or meanes. And to take such order for the custodye of the money and treasure of every of the said houses, and for the reformacon of all such thinges as they shall fynde amys as to theym shall seme convenyent. [Rep. 16, fol. 261*b.*]

Martis, 21 Octobris, anno 9 Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, this day Mr. Alderman *Becher* brought into the Courte here the sayde letters patente of the purchase of St. *Thomas* Hospytall in *Southwerk,* and of the possessions of the same house, from our late Sovereygne Lorde Kinge Edwarde the Syxt, which were presently delivered to the towne clerk saefely to be bestowed and kept to the cytyes use. [Rep. 16, fol. 296 *b.*]

Decimo tertio die Octobris, anno xi° Elizabethæ Reginæ.

By Mr. Mayor.*

On the Quenes Majesties behalf we straightlie charge and commande you that ye forthwith callinge before you your deputie constables, bedell and bedelles of your saide warde, doe give unto them straightlie in charge that they doe make due searche from time to time betwene this and the Feaste of all Saintes next cominge for all such poore people sicke and disseased, and having no place to dwell in of their owne, or shalbe founde lyinge under stalles or at mens dores within your said warde. And such as they finde as abovesaide forthwith to cause to be hadd and conveyed to one of the Hospitalles of St. *Bartholomew* in *West Smithfielde* or of Saint *Thomas* Hospitall in *Southwarke,* where we have given order they shalbe received in avoidinge of further daunger of infection that might happen and growe by their lying in the fields. faile you not hereof, as you will answer to the contrarie at your perrill. Given at the Guildhall of the Citye of *London* the xiii^th^ daie of *October* abovewritten. [Letter-Book V, fol. 259 *b.*]

Jovis decimo octavo die Novembris, anno undecimo Dominæ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, yt was agreed that the Towne Clerke shall deliver unto the Bridgemasters the Cytyes Lettres patent concerninge theyr purchase of St. *Thomas* Hospitall in *Southwerk,* and other londes there, to be perused by them for a convenyent tyme, and then the same to be redelivered unto him agayn saulfely to be kept to the Cytyes use. [Rep. 16, fol. 417.]

Martis, xxx° die Augusti, 1569, etc.

Item, It was ordered by the Courte here this daie that the Cities Lettres Patente concerning there purchas of *Christe's* Hospitalle, shall this afternone be conveyed by one of the Governors of the same house to Mr. *Rearder,* so that the perusing the same maye be able the nexte Courte daie to instructe the Courte here

* This seems to have been a warrant addressed by the Lord Mayor to the chief constable of each ward, to remove the sick poor compulsorily to the Hospitals.

what reparations of the church of the saide, church of the saide [*sic.*] Hospitalle the citie is bound to do, and what the parishioners of the saide parishe churche are bounde to kepe and fynde. [Rep. 16, fol. 494.]

Duodecimo die Januarii, anno duodecimo Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.*

Item, this daie the Bridgemasters did here plainlie confes that they had received of the Towne Clerke the Letters patentes of the cities purchase of Saint *Thomas* Hospitall in *Southwarke* safelie to be kepte. [Letter-Book V, fol. 273, and Rep. 16, fol. 525.]

Martis, viii° die Julii, 1572.

Item, it was ordered that Sir *Thomas Offeley,* Sir *Rowland Hoyward,* Knighte, Mr. Alderman *Bacone,* Mr. Recorder, Mr. *Wyther,* Mr. *Quarels,* and Mr. *Lambden* shall repaire unto my lord Keaper at his next comynge to this citie, and to desire his good lordshippes lawfull favour for the ffees that one Mr. *Spilman* demaundeth of the governors of the hospitalles within this citie for passing certein actes of Parliament to charge the same hospitalls.† [Rep. 17, fol. 342.]

Veneris, xxiiii^to^ die Aprilis, 1573.

Item, it is agreed that search be made as well in St. *Thomas* Hospitall as in *Christes* Hospitall for such assurance as was made by Sir *John Champnyes,* Knight, of the landes at *Wappinge* and in *Oxefordshire,* and that Mr. *Mabbe* and Mr. *Norton* do speake with Mr. *Osborne,* of the'schequer, for his frendshippe herein for aunsweringe that matter. And further it was thought good to this Court that the writinges and evidences of th'ospitalles be put in saffe kepinge under iii or iiii several keies and not kept or left in any one particuler mans keapinge. [Repertory 18, fol. 86.]

* Vide note, page 24.

† This refers no doubt to the public statute, passed in this year, the 14 Elizabeth, cap. 14, confirming gifts to the four hospitals, although their right style might not be used in the instrument of gift.

Martis, xxviii° die Aprilis, anno xv^to^ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, it is ordered that Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Boys*, with suche other as the officers of *Bridewell* will appoynte, to serche where the conveyaunces are that Sir *John Champnyes*, Knight, made to this citie of certan these landes which th'ospitalls now have. [Rep. 18, fol. 9 *b*.]

Martis, ultimo die Junii, 1573.

Item, it was ordered that Sir *Alexander Avenon*, Mr. *Oliff*, Mr. *Woodroff*, Mr. *Blank*, Aldermen, Mr. *Hone*, Mr. *Weekes*, with iiii^or^ other commoners of th'ospitall, shall viewe and surveie one house in the Parishe of St. *Olaves*, in *Southwerk*, now in question betwixt the Hospitall of St. *Thomas* and the Parishioners of St. *Saviors*, *Southwerk*, and to peruse the evidence on bothe saides towchinge the same, and to make reporte to this Courte who they shall think to have the best right to the same. [Rep. 18, fol. 34.]

Jovis, xxiiii^to^ die Septembris, 1573.

Item, it is ordered at this Court that the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall, in *Southwark*, shall have delivered unto them of the Citties store out of the Bridghouse iii quarters of wheate.* [Rep. 18, fol. 73 *b*.]

Martis, septimo die Decembris, anno xvii^mo^ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, yt was orderyd that every of th'ospitalles of Saynte *Thomas*, St. *Bartholomue*, and *Christes* Hospitalle, shall have and take at handes of *John Payne* one hande mylle apece and *Brydewell* two hande mylles, and that Mr. *Woodroffe*, Mr. *Boxe*, Mr. *Pype*, and Mr. *Osborne*, Aldermen, shall consyder of the reasonable pryces for the same mylles. And it is also orderyd that the sayd *Payne* shall have payde and delyvered unto him owte of the Brydgehowse by

* A former entry (p. 47) refers to an advance out of the "wheat money." How the Bridge House came to have a store of wheat, would be interesting to know.

the Brydge maisters the some of c^li^.* The sayde *Payne* delyveringe to this Cytie suche and so many mylles for the said somme over and besides the sayd mylles above appoynted, as by the dyscretion of the sayde Aldermen shalbe thoughte mete, amountinge to the valure of the sayd somme. [Rep. 18, fol. 310 *b.*]

Martis, xxv° die Maii, anno 1574, etc.

Item, this daye one lease graunted by the Governors of Sainte *Barthelmewes* Hospitall to *William Babham,* of London, Groeer, of all and singular the tithes and oblations of all the parishioners and inhabitants of the parishes of St. *Nicholas* in the Shambles, and St. *Ewens* . . . bearing date the xxii^th^† daye of *Maye,* 1574 . . . . to begin at the Feaste of the Annuneiation of our Ladye laste before the date of the said lease for the term of tenn yeares . . . yeldinge yearly to the Lorde Mayor, Comonaltie, and Cytizens, and their successors, to thuse of the poor people of the said Hospitall lxx^li^‡ was this daye with the eommens seale of the Cittie for that purpose apoynted sealyd. [Rep. 18, fol. 216.]

Veneris, xxiiii^to^ die Junii, anno xvii^mo^ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, yt was orderyd and agreyd by this Courte that th'aldermen and governors of th'ospitalles of *Brydewell* and *Christes* Hospitall shall eonsyder of the requeste made unto the same Courte by *Nycholas Van Buescum,* a pynne maker, for the havinge and injoyinge of a eonvenyent placee within thospitall of St. *Thomas* or *Brydewell* to make pynnes, and there to teaehe and instruete eerteyn of the poore ehyldren of *Chriesties*§ Hospitall in the sayd arte of makynge of pynnes, and to make reporte unto this Courte of their doynges therein. [Rep. 18, fol. 396 *b.*]‖

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* £100. † *Sic* in original. ‡ £70. § *Sic* in original.

‖ This entry has a wider interest than the history of the hospitals, as showing that Christ's Hospital was then an industrial school. The master pin-maker was, from his name, a Dutchman, and the Low Countries were then the home of the industrial, as of the fine arts.

Jovis, viii^mo^ die Octobris, anno xxi^mo^ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, it is ordered that the masters and governors of the foure several hospitalls within the citye and the libertyes thereof shall forwith nominate and appointe fowre of every of the same hospitalles, which shall assemble and meete together to consider of a bille and convement petitions to be made and exhibited to the Parliament for the ratification of the charters of the same hospitalls, and to present that which they shall agree uppon to be considered of by this Courte to th'intent the knights and burgesses of the citye, for the Parliament shall further the same at the next session of Parliament with their beste endevours. [Rep. 19, fol. 499.]*

Jovis, xxviii^mo^ die Januarii, anno xxii^do^ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

At this Courte it was ordered and decreed that diligente searche and inquirye shalbe made by the masters and governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall, as well in th'office of Mr. Chamberlin of this Citye as in other places convenyente where anye recordes or evidences do remayne which concerne the sayde hospitall, and that uppon the findinge of theym the same to be delivered unto the sayde masters and governors by indenture.† [Rep. 20, fol. 34.]

Jovis, sexto die Septembris, anno xxiii° Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, it was ordered that the Masters and Governors of *Christe's* Hospitalle shall forthwith cawse twoe seales to be devysed and made for the sealynge of all mockadowes‡ and suche lyke stuffe as shall be broughte to the common marquette of this cytie. [Rep. 19, fol. 126.]

* What events rendered this ratification of the Charters by Parliament necessary, is not known, and it does not seem to have taken place.

† This order authorized the delivering over all the documents relating to St. Thomas' to the Governors of that Hospital. Why it should have been made, it is not easy to understand, seeing that the Court of Aldermen retained their control over, and management of, all the Hospitals; vide the entry on the next page, under date 27th Sept., 23 Elizabeth.

‡ These were cloths so called; and the reason for this order is apparent from the former entry (vide ante p. 41), by which the Court of Aldermen had granted to Christ's Hospital the profits arising to the City from the searching and sealing of cloth.

Jovis, vicesimo secundo die Martii, anno xxiiii^to^ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

At this Courte yt ys orderyde that wheare the threosorer and governours of *Chrystes* Hospytall dyd lend unto the threosorer and governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall, in the Borough of *Sowthwerke*, the some of e^li^, that the same shalbe presentlye repaid to the said threosorer and governors to the use of the same hospytall. [Rep. 20, fol. 306 *b*.]

Vicesimo septimo die Septembris, anno xxiiii antedicto [Elizabethæ Reginæ.]

Item, it ys ordered that from heneefurth no lease eoneerninge anye of the landes or tenementes belongynge to anye of the Hospytalles of this eytye shall passe the seale of the same Hospytall before the same lease be fyrst redde heare in open eourt, and by the same adysedly eonsydered of whether it be convenient the same lease to passe or not. [Letter-Book Z, fol. 243.]*

Martis, decimo-nono die Maii, anno xxvi^to^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, this day, at the request of the Threosorer and governours of St. *Thomas* Hospytall, in the Borough of *Southworke*, it is orderyd and deereyd by thys Courte that they shall have foorthwith delyvered unto them all suehe wrytinges and evydences as belonge to the sayd hospytall nowe remayninge within *Chrystes* Hospitall. [Rep. 21, fol. 53 *b*.]

Die Martis, septimo die Novembris, anno regni, xxix^to^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ, etc.

Item, it is orderyd that preceptes be made foorthwith to everye Alderman of thys Cyttye, requyrynge them to eause all the inha-

* This order was thought of such importance, as to be entered in the Letter Book.

bitantes of theyre wardes to be newlye assessed towardes the releevynge of the pore people in th'ospitalls of this cyttye. [Rep. 21, fol. 496.]*

Martis, xviii° die Junii, anno xxx^mo Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

At this Courte yt is orderyd that serche shall presently be made in *Christes* Hospitall for alle suche evydences and wrytinges remayninge theare as concerne the Hospytall of St. *Thomas,* in *Sowtheworke,* belongynge to the Manor of *Denham Durdaunte,* in the Countye of *Bucks,* and allso the graunte made from the Executors of Kynge *Henrye* the VIIth of his sayd manor and other landes to the master of the *Savoye.* And that all the same writinges and evidences which shalbe so fownde shalbe presentlye delyvered to the threosorer of the sayd hospitall, to be shewed foorthwith for the defence of certayne landes nowe in varyaunce belongynge to the same hospytall. [Rep. 21, fol. 564.]†

Jovis, xix^mo die Junii, anno xxxi^mo Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, 1589.

Item, it is orderyd and decreyd that the Thresorer and governors of Sayint *Thomas* Hospitall, in *Southworke,* shall lend unto the Threosorer and governors of *Brydewell* the somme of e^li for vi monethes, and that Mr. Chamberleyn shall lykewise lend to the same Threosorer and governours of *Brydewell,* for the lyke tyme, another e^li, parcell of the money which was lately collected for the fyveteent granted by this Cittye towardes the chardges of the clensynge of the Fleate Diche. And to take severall notes of the Threosorer and governors of *Brydewell* for receypt of the sayde severall somes accordingelye. [Rep. 22, fol. 66 *b.*]

* This possession of the power of taxation by the Court of Aldermen, and its exercise in favour of the Hospitals, nearly forty years after their first establishment, are both worthy of note.

† This entry does not explain the previous one (p. 59) ordering all the documents in the possession of the Corporation to be handed over to the Governors of St. Thomas', as it was made eight years previously to this litigation.

Sabbati, xiiii^to^ die Decembris, anno xxxi^mo^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Item, it is orderyd that Mr. Towne Clerke shall presently delyver the charter graunted by Kynge *Edward* the Sixt, of the landes and tenements belongynge to *Bridewell*, to the Threosorer of that howse. [Rep. 22, fol. 14 *b*.]

Martis. xviii^vo^ die Martii, anno xxxi^mo^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.*

Item, wheareas *Christe's* Hospitall is at thes present tyme indebted in the some of seaven hundred and nyneteene powndes, yt is this daye orderyd and decreyd that towardes the releefe and helpe of the estate of the sayd howse, the fyrst cc^li^† parcell of suche money as Mr. *Willym Whitman*, Haberdasher, owethe to this cytie for his fyne in dischardge of his office of an Alderman, and shall come next to th'andes of Mr. Chamberleyne, shal be lent to the sayd Hospitall by the Chamberleyn, for so longe tyme as yt shall please this Courte. And yt is further orderyd that all suche somes of money as are due and oweinge by the Chamber of *London* to the sayd Hospitall for the fynes of suche persons as weare elected Sheriffes of the said Cytte and Countye of *Middlesex*, in the tyme of the Mairraltye of Sir *Edward Osborne*, Knight, shalbe payd by Mr. Chamberleyn to the use of the sayd Hospitall. And whereas thys Court is credybly informed that the present estates of St. *Bartholomues* and St. *Thomas* Hospitalls are so good that they may yelde present helpe and releefe to *Christ* Hospitall, it is, thearefore, lykewise orderyd and decreyd that th'estates of bothe the said Hospitalls shal be presently audyted by the Audytors allreddy appoynted, and information theareof gyven to this Courte to th'end some order may be taken for the releefe of *Christes* Hospytall as this Courte shall then think meete. And Mr. *Wright*, Clerke of *Christes* Hospitall, to take eare for th'execution of this order, etc. [Rep. 22, fol. 39.]

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* This order is a further evidence of the great interest taken in, and assistance given by the City to the support of the Hospitals.

† £200.

Martis, xvii die Martii, anno xxxii^do^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ.

Wheareas the mayntayninge and keapinge of th'ospitall of *Bridewell,* hathe of late byn more chardgeable to this Cittye then in former tymes for remedye wheareof yt is this daye orderyd and deereyd by this Courte that Sir *Rowland Hawarde,* Sir *Wolstan Dixye,* Sir *George Barne,* Sir *George Bonde,* Sir *Richard Martyn,* Knightes, Mr. *Allott,* Mr. *Webb,* Mr. *Roe,* Mr. *Ratcliffe,* Aldermen, and all the Thresorers of the fowr severall Hospitalls within thys Cyttye, *Robert Offeley* and *Thomas Aldersey,* haberdashers, *Humfrey Hantley,* Ironmonger, *Thomas Bromley,* haberdasher, &c. &c. &c., or anye tenne or more of them shall presentlye meete togeather and devise meanes howe the same howse may be mayntened from heneeforth. And *Henry Foster* to warne them to meate together and to attend on them. [Rep. 22, fol. 151*b.*]*

Jovis, vicesimo quinto die Junii, anno xxxii^do^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.†

Item, thys daye Mr. *Saltonstall,* Mr. *Soame,* Aldermen, and others who weare hearetofore appoynted by aete of Common Counceil to devise and sett downe some good meanes as well howe the howse of *Brydewell* should be from heneefoorthe mayntened, as allso howe th'arrerage of the same may be presentlye payd and supplyed dyd make theyre reporte in writynge unto this Courte of theyre doeinge thearein, the tenor wheareof heareafter witnesthe, viz.—

Vicesimo tertio die Junii, 1590.

To the right honorable the Lord Maior, the right Worshipfull the Aldermen of the Cyttye of *London,* and the Common Counceil

* It will be noticed that this order is made by the Court of Aldermen, on the 17th March; on the 29th May, in the same year, the Court of Common Council appointed a Committee for the same purpose (vide Appendix, No. 16, to Mr. Firth's book), consisting of different persons, and yet when the report is made by this latter body, it is not in the Common Council, although addressed to that body, but in the Court of Aldermen.

† This report is noticed in Mr. Firth's book (p. 15), it is now set out at length.

of the same cyttye. Wheare it pleased your Lordship and Worshippes to recommend unto our consyderations the care to devise and sett downe some good meanes as well howe the howse of *Brydewell* shuld be from hencefoorthe maynteyned, as allso howe the arrerage of the same maye be presentlye paid and supplyed—we have thought good humblye to certifye our opinions thearcon as followeth, viz.—

	£	s.	d.
Fyrste we fiynd the sayd howse of *Brydewell* at this present to be indebted unto dyvers particular persons in the some of.....	176	12	3
Item, we fynde the same howse of *Brydewell* at this present to be more indebted unto the right honorable the Lord Maior for money by him lent for the releefe theareof the some of	100	0	0
And unto Mr. Alderman *Buckell* for money by him lent to the same use the some of	50	0	0
And to Mr. Alderman *Soame* for money by him lent to the same use in the some of	50	0	0
Which arrerage in the whole amounteth to the some of.....	376	12	3

For the aunswearinge wheareof, and forasmuch as the wholl revenue gyven by the Kynge to the three hospitalls of *Christes, Bridewell,* and St. *Thomas* hathe of longe tyme whollye come to the sole use of the sayd Hospitall of St. *Thomas,* and for that allso theare appearethe uppon the foote of the last accompt of the sayde Hospitall of St. *Thomas* ended at the feast of the Annuncacon of our Ladye 1590, that theare is a remaynder of 188li 14 2d. We thinke convenient that 100li parcell of the sayde 188 14 2 shall by the governours of the sayd hospitall of St. *Thomas* be yelded to the Thresorer and Governours of *Brydewell* for the releefe of that howse within xiiiiteene dayes nowe next insueinge freely without any accompte or retribucion to be made by the Thresorer and Governors of *Brydewell* to the Thresorer and Governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall.

Allso we thinke it good and convenient that the Thresorer and the Governors of the sayd Hospitall of St. *Thomas* shall yelde and paye unto the Thresorer and the Governours of *Brydewell* towards the present supplye of the sayd howse of *Brydewell* the some of

100li more at the feast of St. *Bartholomewe* th'appostle nowe next insuecinge the date abowewritten freely as before is sayd.

And lykewise that from henceforthe untill further or other order shal be taken by this Courte we thynke it good and convenient that the Thresorer and Governours of St. *Thomas* Hospitall shall yearelye paye to the Thresorer and Governours of *Brydewell* towardes the continuall mayntenance and supplye of the sayde hospitall of *Brydewell* the some of 200li to be payde quarterlye at fower usuall feastes of the yeare, the first payment thearcof to beginne at the feast of St. *Michael* th'archaungell nowe nexte insuecinge, whiche supplye and yearely contribucion we have byn the rayther induced to thynke necessary to be yelded and contributed by the Hospitall of St. *Thomas* to the Hospitall of *Brydewell,* for that the sayd howse of St. *Thomas* hathe of longe tyme had the wholl revenue as aforesayde. And eheefely for that the same three howses are all but one intier corporacion. And if the one shuld fayle in performannce of suehe dueties and services as are required by theyr charter the same might hazard the state of all the sayd hospitalls. Lastly, we beseeche your honor and worshippes that forasmuche as convenient tyme hathe not served to enter perticulerly into the accomptes of the sayd three severall hospitalls what ehardges be necessarye to be continued and what be superfluous to be refoarmed that some others suche as your honor and worshippes shall thinke convenient maye be appoynted to enter into the eonsyderacion theareof.

RICHARD SALTONSTALL,	Alder-	JOHN QUARLES,
STEPHEN SOAMES,	men.	THO. WILLFORD,
SYMON HORSEPOOLE,		THOMAS CORDELL,
RANDALL MANNYNGE,		BENEDYCK BANESAM,
WILLYAM MILLWARD,		THOMAS BENNETT.
JOHN MORE,		

And theareuppon it is orderyd that the same shall be entred into the Repertorye, [Rep. 22, fol. 184 *et seq.*]*

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* This report was acted upon by an act of Common Council being passed, carrying out these recommendations, on the 1st of August, in the same year, vide Appendix, No. 17, to Mr. Firth's book.

Jovis, xiii^too^ die Augusti, anno xxxii^do^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ, etc., 1590.

Item, yt is orderyd that Mr. Chamberleyn shall presently paye to the Threasorer and governours of *Brydewell* the some of CCL^li^,* and receyve the same agayne from the Threasorer and governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall as parte of the money which the same Hospitall is by the late acte of Common Councell appointed to paye towards the mayntenaunce of *Brydewell.* [Rep. 22, fol. 205.]

Jovis, octavo die Octobris, anno xxxii^do^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, 1590.

Item, it is orderyd and decreyd that *Richard Willys,* Clotheworker, keaper of the Conduit at *Newgate,* shall yearely from henceforth durynge so longe tyme as he shall have and enioye the same roome and offyce paye unto Mr. Chamberlyn owt of the profect of the water theare the some of xiii^li^ vi^s^ viii^d^† to be payd quarterlye. And the sayd Mr. Chamberlyn shall durynge the pleasure of thys Courte paye owt the sayd some in forme followeinge, viz., to Mr. *Pratt,* a preacher, for reedynge a lecture twice a weeke in *Ludgate* the some of vi^li^ xiii^s^ iiii^d^‡ to be payd quarterlye. And thother vi^li^ xiii^s^ iiii^d^ to the Thresorer of *Brydewell* towardes the releefe of the poare in the same howse. And the sayde *Wyllys* allso to paye iiii^s^ every weeke towardes the releefe of the pore in *Newgate.* And allso to delyver suche water unto the Gaole as he hathe byn accustomed. [Rep. 22, fol. 216.]§

Curia Specialis Sabbati, xii^mo^ die Februarii, anno xxxiiii^o^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

This daye the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitalle made reporte to this Courte that they have elected and chosen Sir *George Barne,*

* £250. † £13. 6s. 8d. ‡ £6. 13s. 4d.

§ It has been generally believed that the conduits or fountains were free for the use of the citizens, but this entry would show otherwise, and that Keeper of the Conduit must have been a very profitable office.

Knighte, to be presydente of that house in the stede and place of Sir *Edwarde Osborne,* Knight, deceassed, late presydente there. Of whiche election this Courte did verye well like and allowe. [Rep. 21, fol. 353.]*

Curia Specialis Sabbati, xxxi^mo^ die Martii, 1593, anno xxxv^to^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, yt is ordered that Sir *Rowland Hayward* [and others named], or anye sixe or more of them, shall consider what reveneiwes doe yerelye arrise and growe of such manors, landes, and tenementes as were gyven by Kinge *Edwarde* the Sixte to this Cytie for the maintenance of the several Hospitalls of *Christes, Bridewell,* and St. *Thomas* th'appostle, in *Southworke,* and howe muche is yerelye dispended and layde owte in maynteyninge the saide Hospitalls over and above the saide revenewes, and to enforme this Courte in writinge of their opinyons therein. And *Christofer Stubbes* to warne them to meete togeather and to attende on them. [Rep. 23, fol. 44 *b.*]

Martis, xxiii° die Septembris, 1593, anno xxxv^to^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, yt is ordered that twoe of the Aldermen of every of the severall howses of the pore of *Christes, Bridewell,* St. *Thomas,* and St. *Bartholomues* Hospitalls, calling unto them fower other of the governors of eche howse being Comeners, shall Examyn the states of the same howses, and howe the landes given unto them are imploide, and by what good meanes the abuses of the same maye be best reformed. And *Roberte Redhead* to warne them to meete togeather and to attend on them.† [Rep. 23, fol. 101.]

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* There are many similar entries of reports to the Court of Aldermen, of the choice of presidents, and also of treasurers of the several hospitals, and the allowance and confirmation thereof by the Court, the record occasionally running "did like and allow, and did ratify and confirm."

† This was early for abuses to have crept in, as the hospitals had been established not quite half a century.

Jovis xxii^do^ die Novembris, anno xxxvi^to^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc., 1593.

It is ordred that the Threasorers of the several Hospitalls of *Christes, Brydewell,* St. *Bartholomues,* and St. *Thomas* the Appostell, shall presentlye nomynate two Aldermen and fower Comoners of everye of the same howses, and they do examyn the states of the same howses, and in what sorte the landes given unto them are imployed. And by what meanes the abuses maye be beste reformed and also howe and by what meanes C^li^* intended to be bestowed towardes the releife in setting on worke the poore in *Brydewell* in makyng of pynnes maye be gotten. And likewise to take care that such persons that are infected with the plague in the howse of *Brydewell* may be best separated from the rest, to avoyde the infection of the whole. And *Christofer Stubbes* to warne them to meete togeather and to attende on them. [Rep. 23, fol. 125.]

Jovis, xvi die Septembris, anno xxxvi^to^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc., 1594.

Item, yt is ordered that the Threasorers and governors of the severall hospitalles of *Christ, Brydewell,* St. *Thomas,* and St. *Bartholomue,* shall upon Tuesday next come seavenighte presente to this Courte in wryting the true estate of the said Hospitalls, according to a former order taken in that behalf. [Rep. 23, fol. 284.]

Martis, viii^o^ die Octobris, anno tricesmo sexto Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, yt is ordred that Mr. Recorder, Mr. Sergeant *Douyel,* Mr. *Fuller,* and Mr. *White,* or any twoe or more of them, shall joyne with such Aldermen and others as were latelye appointed by this Courte to consider of th'estate of the several hospitalls of this Cittye, And to make their Reporte in wrytinge to this Courte of their

* £100.

doinges therein. And the fowre clerkes of the same Hospitalls to warne them and the said Comytties to meet togeather and to attende on them. [Rep. 23, fol. 296.]

Martis x^mo^ die Decembris, 1594, anno xxxvii^mo^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.

Item, yt is ordred that Sir *Richard Martyn*, Knight, [and other names] or anie two or more of the said learned Counsell of this Cittie, shall consider of the present estate of the said severall hospitalls for their landes, money, and goodes, and in what sort the landes and revienewes belonging to the same severall hospitalls are most fitt to be proportioned and devided for the relief of the needye poore, and setting on work such other vagrant and loytring poore which are well able to worke and doe pester this Cittie, according to the grantes of her majestie and sondrey other her noble progenitors, and of dyvers other persons, gyven for that purpose. And to make reporte, etc. And *Richard Higgenbothom* to warne them to meet togeather and to attend on them.* [Rep. 23, fol. 327*b*.]

Jovis, xxii° die Aprilis, anno xxxviii° Dominæ nostraæ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc., 1596.

Item, yt is ordred that the auditors of every the fower severall hospitalls of *Christes*, *Bridewell*, Saint *Bartholomue*, and St. *Thomas* the Appostle, shall furthwith auditt and finish their severall accomptes towching the state of the said Hospitalls, and presente the same to the Courte in wrytyng before the first day of Maie next ensewing. And that the Threasorer of St. *Thomas* Hospitall shalbe warned to appeare at the next Courte here to be houlden. And *Robert Redhead* to warne them. [Rep. 23, fol. 524.]

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* The frequency with which this order for an investigation into the affairs of the Hospital was repeated, during the years 1593 and 1594, would show that their affairs were in much confusion.

Martis, xxv^to^ die Maii, anno xxxviii^o^ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc., 1596.

Item, the matter moved in this Courte touching a controversie betwene the two Hospitalls of *Christchurch** and St. *Thomas* the Appostle concernyng a rente charge of xix^li^ † geven by Sir *Martyn Bowes,* Knight, and one *Roger Knott,* grocer, deceassed, and also touching a rente of xxxii^li^ ‡ by the yere purchased by the governors of *Christes* Hospitall and withdrawen by the said St. *Thomas* Hospitall, as is pretended, was comitted to the hearing and examynacion of Mr. *Some* and Mr. *Mosely,* Aldermen, *Henry Rowe,* mercer, *Nowell Sotherton,* merchaunt taylor, *Hugh Rayle,* gouldsmith, *Thomas Fettiplace,* Iremonger, *John Moore,* skynner, and *William Cobbe,* paynter stayner, or to any five or more of them. And they to ende the same or to make reporte to this Courte of their opynions therein. [Rep. 23, fol. 537.]

Jovis, secundo die Octobris, 1600, annoque xlii Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Reginæ, etc.§

At this Court the Certificatt of theleection of the Governors of the severall Hospitalls belonging to this Citty was here read, liked, and allowed of and ordred to be entred into the Repertory. The tenor whereof hereafter ensueth, vizt—To the Right Honorable the Lord Maior and Courte of Aldermen—Right Honorable at a Courte houlden in *Christes* Hospitall on the xxiiii^th^ daie of September, 1600, in the presence of your honor with other worshipfull persons hereafter following, vizt—Sir *Richard Marten* [and other names], governors of the fower Hospitalls, who having assembled themselves togeather according to the auncyent custome to make an election of governors for the governement of the severall houses for the yere nexte ensewing, have elected and chosen the persons hereunder named to the severall rooms and places in theis presentes mencyoned, humbly craving your confirmacion of this their election, yf the same by your honour and worshippes shalbe well liked and allowed of [the names of the Governors of the Hospitals, with their Presidents and Treasurers are then set out at length.] [Rep. 25, fol. 153.]

* This is simply carelessness of the clerk who made the entry, as it never had any such name.

† £19. ‡ £32. § Vide p. 45.

Martis, xxviii° die Maii, 1605, annoque regni Regis Jacobi Angliæ, etc., tertio.

Item, upon signifieation of the Kings majesties most gratious pleasure to this Court by letters from the Lords of his highnes most honorable Privye Counecll, it is ordered that *John Baptista,* a Turk by birth, lately converted to the Christian religion and baptized, being weak and diseased, shalbe presently reeeived into St. *Thomas* Hospitall, there to be harboured, relieved, and kept untill he be cured. [Rep. 27, fol. 18 *b.*]

Jovis, secundo die Octobris, 1606, annoque Regni Regis Jacobi Angliæ, etc., quarto.

Item, it is ordered that *Wm Dyos,* general Sollieitor for the Cittye, shall forthwith eonferre with Mr. *Robert Smithe,* Comptroller of the Chamber, Exeeutor of the last will and testament of *Nathanael Smithe,* merehantt, his son deeeased, touehing the somme of 150 li by him intended to be given to divers of the Hospitalles of this Cittye, and that the sayd Mr. *Dyos* shall, by the advyee of learned Counecll of this eittye, eause sueh assuraunee thereof to be made to the sayd Hospitalls as shalbe thoughte meete. [Rep. 27, fol. 281*b.*]

Jovis, vicesimo sexto die Februarii, 1606, annoque regni Regio Jacobi Angliæ, etc., quarto.

Item, it is ordered that a speeial Court of Aldermen shal be here holden on Saturdaye eome sevenight next for the hearing and determining of the eause in eontroversie amongst the eompanie of Skynners, and also touching a eause in differenee betwene the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall and *Christes* Hospitall eoneerning certain lands in question betwene them. [Rep. 27, fol. 351.]

Commune Concilium vicesimo quinto die Aprilis, 1608, etc.*

And it is likewise enacted by authoritie aforesaid that it shalbe lawfull to and for the gouvernors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall to assure certaine lands belonging to the said Hospitall lyeinge neare unto Theobaldes unto the kinges majestie, and to take to the use of the said Hospitall such landes or other recompence for the same as th[ey] shall thinke fit and by learned councell shalbe devised. [Journal 27, fol. 232.]

Commune Consilium, decimo quinto die Septembris, A.D. 1608.

And it is lastly enacted, granted and agreed by the authoritie aforesaid that a Letter of Attorney shalbe made to *Roger Walrond,* Clotheworker, by the Maior and Comminaltie and citizens of this Citie, governors of the rents, possessions and revenues of the Hospitall of *Edward* the Sixth, of *Christ, Bridewell,* and St. *Thomas the Apostle,* for the recoverie of certaine landes belonging to the saide Hospitall of *Bridewell.* The same letter of attorney to be first perused by Mr. Recorder, or by some other of the learned councell of thys citie, and to be afterwardes allowed of by the Court of Lorde Maior and Aldermen. [Journal 27, fol. 281*b*.]

Martis, xv^mo^ die Novembris, 1608, annoque regni Regis Jacobi Angliæ, etc., sexto.

Item, it is ordered that Sir *John Garrard,* Sir *Thomas Bennett,* Sir *Thomas Cambell,* Sir *John Swynnerton,* Sir *William Romeney,*

* It is singular enough that the only case in which any of the lands of the Hospitals could be alienated, after the passing of the Statute of Elizabeth, relating to charitable uses, did here happen, viz., to the Crown itself. King James had a favourite residence at Theobalds, in Hertfordshire (now the seat of the Meux family), and no doubt required part of the Hospital lands to make his estate there more convenient; and so, by the supreme authority of the Court of Common Council, the Governors of St. Thomas' Hospital were allowed to exchange or sell them to the king.

and Sir *Thomas Middleton*, knightes, or anye fower or more of them, and Mr. *Robert Smith* to attend them, shall examine and consider in whose gift the clerkship of *Brydewell* is, now being voyde, whether in this court or in the gift of the Treasurer and governors of the said Hospitall, and they to make report therof to this Court. And *William Marsh* to warne them. [Rep. 28, fol. 298 *b*.]

Jovis, decimo septimo die Novembris, 1608, annoque regni Regis Jacobi Angliæ, etc., sexto.

Item, Arthur Packer, gentleman, was by this Court admitted to the office of clerk of the Hospitall of *Brydewell* lately voyd by the death of *Anthonye Curson*, gentleman, who lately held and enjoyed the same, to have, hold, exercyse and enjoy the sayd place, with all fees, profites, comodityes and advantages thereunto due and of right belonging, soe longe as he shall well and honestly use and behave himself therein. And was here sworne for the due execution thereof accordinglye.* [Rep. 28, fol. 301.]

Jovis, decimo quinto die Decembris, 1608, annoque regni Regis Jacobi Angliæ Regis, sexto.

Item, Arthure Packer, gentleman, lately elected and chosen by the Threasorer and Governors of the Hospitall of *Brydewell* to be clerk of the sayd Hospitall in place of *Anthonye Curzon,* clerk of the sayd hospitall, latelye deceased, and by them presented to this Court, was here confirmed and allowed of. And sworne for the execution thereof accordinglye.† [Rep. 28, fol. 316 *b*.]

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* The Court of Aldermen being evidently determined to appoint to the office, lost no time about carrying their purpose into effect, for the Committee of inquiry was nominated on the 15th of November, and Mr. Packer appointed on the 17th. The Governors of Bridewell, to avoid a contest, also elected Mr. Packer to the office, and he was then sworn again, vide the next entry.

† The last entry of confirmation of Governors, appears in the Repertory in the year 1615; but the annual election took place on St. Matthew's Day until the judgment in the *quo warranto*, and the lists of the Governors were handed to the Lord Mayor at the Hospital on that day. Vide Rep. 95, fol. 235.

Martis, tertio die Julii, 1621, annoque regni Regis Jacobi, Angliæ, etc., decimo nono.

Item, this day, at the motion and request of the governors of St. *Thomas* Hospitall, in *Southwark,* it is conceived fitt and soe ordered by this Court that they shall attend Mr. Recorder, Mr. Common Sergeant, and Mr. *Stone,* and such other of the cities Councell as they shall thinke fitt, with the articles reade here in Court, which had been exhibited to the Lord Bishop of *Winton* against them the saide Governors by *William Todd,* one of the ministers of the saide Hospitall, and also with their Charter and Letters Pattentes, that thereby some annsweare to the saide articles may be by the saide Councell advisedly conceived. And it is further ordered by this Court, that after the readinge and approbation of the saide annsweare here in Court, Sir *John Leman,* Knight and Alderman, Mr. Alderman *Rackham,* Mr. Alderman *Halliday,* Mr. Alderman *Johnson,* Mr. Alderman *Hamersley,* and Mr. Alderman *Cambell,* or any three of them, with certaine of the saide governors, shall repaire to the saide Lord Bishopp of *Winton* with the saide answeare.* [Rep. 35, fol. 201*b*.]

(The day is blank in the original, but it appears to have been Tuesday, the 2nd day of November, 1624.)

Item, that all diseased and impotent poore people whatsoever, and all aged people and weomen of sixtie yeeres and upwards that are past theire laboure and found begginge or wanderinge upp and downe about this cittie, shalbe sent to St. *Thomas* and St. *Bartholomewes* Hospitalls, to bee theire examined by the Governors, and theire conveyed accordinge to the statutes in that behalf provided, or otherwise to dispose of them, as in theire discretions shalbe thought fitt and expedient. That is to say, such of them as are taken Eastwards from *Walbrooke* to bee sent unto St. *Thomas* Hospitall, and such of them as are taken westwards from *Walbrooke* to bee sent to St. *Bartholomewes* Hospital. [Rep. 39. fol. 2.]

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* By this the Governors of St. Thomas' Hospital seek the authority of the Court of Aldermen, to defend a suit commenced against them in the Episcopal Court of Winchester.

Jovis, undecimo die Septembris, 1628, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., quarto.

Item, it is thought fitt and soe ordered by this Court, that the fower Presedents, with the Threasorers of the fower Hospitalls, shall take present order for the ereetinge of a eonvenient house att the spittle* for the ehildren of the Hospitales, and to take care the same may be fynished before Easter next. [Rep. 42, fol. 275 *b.*]

Jovis, duodecimo die Maii, 1631, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., septimo.

Item, it is ordered by this Court that Mr. *Bond,* the Threasorer of Saint *Bartholomewes* Hospitall, and fower others of the governors, shall upon Monday next attend the Lords and others the comissioners for eharitable uses, with the patent and indenture of the graunt of *Christs* Hospitall, aeeordinge to their Lordshipps order of the ninth of this instant May. [Rep. 45, fol. 290.]

Martis, nono die Januarii, 1631, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., septimo.

Item, it is thought fitt and so ordered by this Court that Mr. Recorder, Sir *James Camball,* Knight and Alderman, and Mr. Alderman *Garway,* shall with all eonvenieneye addresse themselves unto the right honorable the Earle of *Carlisle* touching the land now in question belonging to the Hospitall of *Bridwell* and St. *Thomas* th'appostell lying at *Wapping.* And in the meane tyme Mr. *Mosse,* Mr. *Withers,* Mr. *Armitage,* and the Clark of *Bridewell,* to attend the said Comittees, and informe them of the state of this eause. [Rep. 46, fol. 55.]

Martis, xxvi^to^ die Martii, 1633, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., nono.

Item, it is thought fitt and soe ordered by this Court, that the

* The Spittle (Spital) was the Hospital for contagious diseases, standing in Spitalfields, outside the "Bishops' Gate," and this order directs, that an infirmary for the children of the four Hospitals, shall be provided in that neighbourhood.

fower Treasurers of the severall Hospitalls shall forthwith view the place appoynted for the Governors with their Companye to sitt at the spittle in Easter weeke yearely,* and take presente course for the substantiall repaire thereof, and for the safe and convenient setting the seates for the said governors and company. And notice hereof to be given unto them by *John Fisher*. [Rep. 47, fol. 174 *b*.]

Martis, xxii° die Aprilis, 1634, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., decimo.

Item, this day Mr. Alderman *Backhouse* and Mr. Alderman *Perry* are by this Courte desired effectually to move their Company of Mercers for the speedy new building or repaire of the house at the spittle, under which the governors of the Hospitalls doe yearly sitt, the which good worke this Court doth hereby specially recomend unto the said company. [Rep. 48, fol. 279 *b*.]

Jovis, tertio die Martii, 1635, annoque regni Regis Caroli, Angliæ, etc., xi°.

Item, towching the matters in question betweene the Citty and the Governors of St. *Barthelmewes* Hospitall, neere *West Smithfield, London*, whether the ruines and impaire of *Christ* Hospitall ought to bee repaired at the charge of this citty or of the said Hospitall of St. *Barthelmew*, it is thought fitt that Mr. Recorder shall consider of what can bee said and produced on either side, and for that purpose Mr. *Marshe*, the citties solicitor, in the behalfe of the citty, to attend Mr. Recorder with the orders and acte of this citty. And Mr. Recorder to certify unto this Court in writing under his hand how hee findes the same and his opinion. [Rep. 50, fol. 139 *b*.]

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* The Spital sermons, now preached on Monday and Tuesday in Easter-week, at Christchurch, Newgate-street, were, at this time, preached in Spitalfields' Church, a place of honour being erected there for the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and the Governors, and over it one for the Bishops; and this entry, no doubt, refers to that. It will be seen from the next entry that the place being out of repair, the Court of Aldermen commended its restoration to the Mercers Company, their well-founded reputation for wealth being then already established.

Jovis, decimo octavo die Novembris, 1641, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., decimo septimo.

Item, this day Mr. Recorder, in the presence of Mr. *Babington,* treasurer of *Christ* Hospitall, Mr. *Edwardes,* Treosurer of *Bridewell,* and Mr. *Clarke,* Treasurer of St. *Thomas* Hospitall, acquainted that Courte that the said three Treasurers had beene with him to advise with him concerning their licence in mortmayne for the said three Hospitalls, and certaine matters touching the government of *Bridewell.* And that upon perusal of the charter granted by King *Edward* the Sixth for the founding, maintaining, and governing of the said three hospitalls, and upon conference with the said Treasurers, he findeth it very necessarie to sue to the king concerning the said licence in mortmayne, and to the Parliament for further and larger power and authority for the better government of the Hospitall of *Bridewell,* which are thinges very weightie and much tend to the good of this cittie. And inasmuch as the graunt of the said hospitalles was made to the Cittie, and nothing concerning the same ought to be donne but by the Cittie; therefore upon his motion on the behalf of the said Treasurers for the said Hospitall, it is ordered by the Court that the Comittee for matters to be presented to the Parliament take into their consideration such matter as shalbe expounded unto them by the said three Treasurers, Mr. *Martine Bound,* Threasurer of St. *Barthelmewes* Hospitall, and Mr. *Oliver Markland,* one of the governors of the same Hospitall, concerning the said fower Hospitalles. And thereupon to report their opinions therein unto this Court, that soe the same may come to a Common Counceil, and with their approbations be presented to the king and Parliament, as the matter shall seeme necessary and expedient. And it is thought fitt that the said Treasurers and Mr. *Markeland* shall joyne with the same Committees in their behalf.* [Rep. 55, fol. 228.]

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* Nothing could more exactly define the proper position of all parties than does this entry. The supreme authority vested in the Common Council, as being the embodiment of the City, the Court of Aldermen as exercising the control over the administration of the Hospitals, and the Treasurers and Governors as the administrators appointed by the City.

1641. 17th Charles 1st, 15th December.

Item, this day upon reading a Petition exhibited unto this Court, whereby is intimated that this Court hath endeavored the enlargement of the House of *Bethlem,* which could not be effected till the examination of a Lease granted to one *James Dedest,* which has since come to the hands of a cowper, who of late hath converted the same house into a tavern, and that the said Lease will expire about 2 years hence, it is therefore ordered by this Court that Sir *George Whitmore,* Sir *Nicholas Raynton,* Sir *John Gayer,* Sir *Jacob Yarratt,* Knights and Aldermen, Mr. *Moss,* Comptroller of the Chamber, Mr. *John Withers,* Mr. *Wotton,* Mr. *Harrison,* Mr. *Kemp,* and Mr. *Isaacson,* Governors of the said Hospital, or any 4 or more of them, shall with all convenience view the said house and ground thereunto belonging, and consider what accommodation or benefit the same may be to the enlargement of the said house of *Bethlem,* and certify unto this Court, in writing under their hands, how they find the same, and their opinions, and in the meantime no further grant of Lease to be made of the said house and ground. And if any already be, the sealing thereof to be stayed, and *Rich*[d] *Alexander* to warn and attend them. [Rep. 55, fol. 334.]

Jovis, vicesimo die Junii, 1644, annoque regni Regis Caroli Angliæ, etc., vicesimo.

Item, this Court knowing well that the rents and revenewes belonging to the Hospitalls of St. *Barthelemewes, Bridewell,* St. *Thomas* th'appostle, and *Bethlem* respectively, are not sufficient to keepe and mainteyne the poore people properly appointed to bee kept in the said hospitalls in ordinary tymes, without the helpe and supply of legacies and guifts of charitable persons, which since these present troubles* are much decreased and very small, and understanding that the rents of divers of the said lands in several counties where the armies are or have bene are lost, and that divers tenaunts of other of the said landes in and neare *London* alledge that they are soe farre impoverished that they are not able to pay

* Referring to the time of the disputes between King Charles I., and his people.

their rents in these dead and troublesome tymes, neither doe pay any rents att all to the said Hospitalls, and that the rents of divers houses belonging to the said Hospitalls being out of lease and standing empty are wholly lost, and that greate numbers of sicke, wounded, and other souldiers have for the tyme of above twenty mouthes past bene constantly kept in every of the said hospitalls of St. *Barthelmewe, Bridewell,* and St. *Thomas,* att very greate and extraordinary charges, especially for their cure and dyett, yet having* tenaunts of the lands belong to the said Hospitalls, witheld and deducted severall sumes of money out of the rents for severall taxes and rates upon divers ordinances, whereby the sadd hospitalls are become much indebted and want monies to buy necessary provision for the poore therein, wherefore this Court doth thinke fitt that the humble desires of the Maior and Commonalty and Cittizens of the City of *London,* Governors of the said Hospitalls, be forthwith presented to the Commons House of Parliament by Mr. Recorder and the Burgesses of *London,*† that both houses will bee pleased for the reasons aforesaid to make an ordinance to free all the rents and revenewes belonging to the said Hospitalls and every of them, being to bee received and disbursed for the imediate use and reliefe of the poore in the same hospitalls respectively from all assessments, taxes, and charges whatsoever, as well already made or charged and not paid as hereafter to bee made or charged by virtue of any ordinance of Parliament. And that it shall not be lawfull for the said tennants, or any of them, to withold and deduct any part of their rents in respect of any rate or taxe upon the house or land which hee holdeth from any of the said hospitalls which the Landlords by any ordnance ought to pay or cleere. [Repertory 57, fol. 153 *b.*]

Tuesday, the ninth of March, 1657.

It is ordered by this Courte that Mr. *Blang,* the Cities Solicitor, shall at the charge of the Hospitall of *Bridewell,* take course by

* *Sic:* it should be "have."

† It is presumed that Mr. Recorder was in Parliament, as he and the Members for the City were directed to present this petition. The whole entry is full of interest.

advice of counsill for recoverie of the xiiiC^{li}* yet behind of iiM^{li}† bequeathed to the Hospitall of *Bridewell* by Sir *James Cambell*, Knight and Alderman, deceased.‡ [Rep. 66, fol. 57*b*.]

Thursday, the xiiith day of May 1658.

It is thought fitt and ordered by this Court that Sir *Thomas Andrewes*, Sir *Thomas Foot*, Sir *Thomas Vyner*, Knights and Aldermen, my Lords *Packe*, Sir *John Ireton*, Knight and Alderman, Mr. Alderman *Thompson*, Mr. Alderman *Millner*, or any three, or more of them, doe upon perusall of the Repertories and such other meanes as they thinke good, informe themselves of the power and practice of this Courte in the Government of the foure Hospitalls, and sendinge of poore to be fostered in the same houses. And certifie unto this Courte how they find the same. And § to warne and attend them. [Rep. 66, fol. 84 *b*.]

Order of the Court of Common Council granting a new site for Bethlem Hospital. 26th Charles 2nd. 9th Sept^{r}., 1674.

Sir *William Turner*, Knt. and Alderman, President of the Hospital of *Bethlem*, informing this Court that the present Hospital House of *Bethlem* being decayed, and not large enough or convenient for the accommodation of the parties brought thither, it was the desire of the Governors of the same Hospital that a grant may be made them by Lease from the City for the term of 999 years, at 12 pence per annum rent, of the ground on the north side of *London Wall*, extending from *Moorgate* to the Postern at the end of *Whinchester* Street, in length East and West, and in breadth from the Wall Northwards 80 feet, capable to receive 120 patients, and upon reading a certificate made to this Court from the Committee for letting the City lands, shewing that they had seriously considered and duly informed themselves of the necessity of charity and honor of that design, and did therefore recommend the same to this Court as a pious work, thereupon this Court did freely

* £1,300. † £2,000.

‡ Sir James Cambell was also a considerable benefactor to the poor of the city and his charities are still existing.

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concur with and agree to the desire of the same Governors, and ordered such Lease to be made them of the same ground as is desired, with some proviso that it shall be applied to no other use whatsoever.* [Journal No. 48, fol. 86.]

Martis, xviii° die Junii, 1689. †

Upon a Petition presented to this Court by Dr. *Briggs,* who was heretofore appointed one of the phisitians to St. *Thomas* Hospitall, It is thought fitt and ordered by this Court that he be continued in the said place until further order. [Rep. 95, fol. 25 *b.*]

Vicesimo nono die Julii, anno Willelmi Tertii, octavo.

This Court doth nomynate, appoynt, and ehuse Sir Robert Clayton [and others] or any two of the said Aldermen and four of the said Commoners to be a committee to inspect into the management and government of the severall hospitalls of this City. And the said Committee are hereby empowered to send for persons, papers, and records, and are from time to time to report their proceedings in the premises to this Court, and *Daniel Man* to warne and attend them. [Journal 52, fol. 86 *b.*]

Die Veneris, xi die Novembris, 1698.

This Court being now convened to consider of the Constitution and the present state and condition of *Christs* Hospitall, It is

* The original Bethlem Hospital stood near the "Bishopsgate," the liberality of the City enabled the Hospital to be rebuilt at Moorfields, where it remained, until 1812, when the renewed liberality of the City granted the present site in St. George's Fields. Vide p. 93, *et seq.*

† In the period between 1614 and 1677, embracing no less than 63 years, Mr. Firth has only three entries. This is now supplemented to some extent, but it is evident, from the paucity of entries in the records of the Corporation, that the affairs of the Hospitals suffered, in common with every thing else, by the great troubles of the civil war. It appears that, in 1681, the Court of Aldermen re-established their ancient jurisdiction over the Hospitals. Vide Mr. Firth's book, p. 25, 1st edition.

unanimously agreed and resolved that for the future noe unfreeman shall be chosen to be a governor of that or of any other of the Hospitalls of this City. [Rep. 103, page 17.]

Die Veneris, vicesimo septimo die Aprilis, anno Domini, 1705.

A motion being made, and the question being put, whether that a Committee of this court consisting of four Aldermen and eight Commoners shall be appointed to inquire into what power the Mayor, Comonalty, and Citizens of the City of *London* have relating to the severall Hospitalls of this City and their governments It was carried in the affirmative, whereupon this Court doth nominate and appoint Sir *Thomas Stamp* [and others] whereof any two of the said Aldermen and four of the said Comoners are to be a quorum to be a Committee accordingly. And the said Comittee are hereby impowered to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report their proceedings, with their opinions, to this Court. And the eldest Alderman who is present to take the chaire, and the said Comittee are from time to time to adjorne themselves, as they shall think convenient, causeing notice of every such adjournment to be given to all the members thereof. And *Robert Walker* to warne and attend them. [Journal 54, fol. 121.]

Die Jovis, vicesimo quarto die Martii, anno Domini 1708.

This Court doth nominate and appoint Sir *Thomas Stampe* [and others] or any two of the said Aldermen, and four of the said Comoners, to be a comittee to inquire into the state, condition, and management of the several hospitalls belonging to this city, and in order to pursue the directions of this Court therein, they are hereby empowered to send for persons, papers, books, and records relating to the said several Hospitals, and to report their doings and proceedings with their opinions therein, from time to time, to this Court.* [Journal 55, fol. 42 *b*.]

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* There does not seem to have been any report made by either of these committees.

On the 6th September, 1737, the Court of Aldermen ordered the Clerks of all the Hospitals to make a return of the manner of electing their Presidents, and by whose authority the Courts had been held for those purposes, and the following are the returns made in obedience to that order.*

An Account of the manner of Electing the Presidents of St. Bartholomew's Hospital upon Deaths or Removals, and by whose Direction and Authority the Courts have been appointed and held for those purposes, so far as appears by the Register Books of the said Hospital.

(Extracted by *William Tims,* Clerk there.)

Soon after the foundation by King *Henry* the Eighth, viz., from 1549 to 1551, the affairs of this Hospital were managed by four Aldermen and eight Commoners, without any precedency of Title in any of them, other than as Aldermen.

1551.—These twelve, who were called Masters or Governors, divided themselves into several offices, viz., One Provost, One Treasurer, Four Surveyors, Four Almoners, and Two Scrutineers. The Provost was Mr. *White,* the Senior of the Four Aldermen.

There was a Rotation of these Governors, two of the Aldermen and four of the Comoners going out every year, and others chose to supply their places. And these twelve annually from amongst themselves chose one of the Aldermen of their own number to be President. And

1553.—The Title of Provost was turned into President, and Sir *John Ayliffe* was the first distinguished with that character at his Election.

1561.—The Rotation of a President began to be omitted, for altho' till the year 1620, a President was annually chose, yet some of them were continued many years successively, and since that time the Presidents have been usually chosen without any limitation of time.

* Vide order in Mr. Firth's book, p. 69, and Rep. 141, fol. 432.

Since the year 1580, the Rotation of the Governors has not been observed, and, therefore, by continuing the old ones, and the Yearly Increase by a new Choice they do amount to the Number they are at present.

But the same manner of electing a President has been observed and continued to be in the choice of the Governors present at such Election.

There are no entries in this Hospital's Books by whose direction and authority the Courts have been appointed for the choice of a President, only in one instance that the Treasurer and Comittee of Governors who attend at the Compting-house for the Dispatch of Business of the Hospital did, upon the death of Sir *John Fleet*, appoint a General Court to be sumoned for the choice of a President in his stead which was held accordingly.

General Courts were not in use when the Governors were but few, and since the increase of the number of Governors, and the Calling of General Courts, the following Extracts out of this Hospital's Books relating to the choice of a President will best explain by whom or by whose authority the Courts have been held for those purposes since that time.

In the year 1660, Sir *Richard Chiverton* was chose President, and altho' some Aldermen were present, the Treasurer put the question.

1675.—Sir *Richard Ford* chosen President upon the resignation of Sir *Richard Chiverton*, who presided at this Court.

1678.—Sir *Joseph Sheldon* chosen President in the room of Sir *Richard Ford*, deceased. This Court was held by *Anthony Hinton*, Esq., Treasurer.

1681.—Sir *James Edwards* chosen President in the room of Sir *Joseph Sheldon*. This Court held by *John Nicoll*, Esq., Treasurer.

1688.—Sir *William Prichard* elected President. The Court held by Mr. *Nicoll*, Treasurer.

1704.—Sir *John Fleet* chosen President on the death of Sir *William Pritchard*. In the holding of this Court Sir *Thomas Rawlinson* is named before the Treasurer.

1712.—Sir *William Stewart* chosen President in the room of Sir *John Fleet*, deceased. This Court held by *Peter Joye*, Esq., Treasurer.

1723 —Sir *Richard Brocas* chosen President in the room of Sir *William Stewart,* deceased. Sir *Gerard Conyers,* Lord Mayor, held this Court.

This is the only instance of a Lord Mayor's holding a Court for the choice of a President in this Hospital from the Foundation to this time, and therefore it may be necessary to explain the occasion of it. Sir *Richard Brocas* was Treasurer of the Hospital upon the death of Sir *William Stewart,* and was generally believed would be chosen to be his successor. And it was not thought proper for him to preside in that Court, where himself was likely to be chosen. And for that reason the then Lord Mayor was desired to hold that Court.

WILL. TIMS,
Clerk of St. *Bartholomew's* Hospital.

21st September, 1737.

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL.

In the absence of *William Brocket,* Clerk of Christ's Hospital, London. The Return made to an order of the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen, dated 6th September, 1737.

It appears by the antient books of Christ's Hospital that the Courts for Electing of Presidents on Deaths or Removals have been held by an Alderman at some times and at other times by the Treasurer of the said Hospital, at which Courts the Lord Mayor, and those who have been Lord Mayors, have generally been first put up in nomination, and then the rest of the Aldermen, and the choice made by the majority of hands, but whose direction and authority the said Courts it doth not appear.

The Lord Mayor for the time being of late hath held several Courts at the choice of a President, as appears by the particular instances following :—

In the year 1702, Sir *William Gore,* Knight, Lord Mayor, held the Court at the election of Sir *Francis Child,* President.

1713.—Sir *Richard Hoare,* Knight, Lord Mayor, held the Court at his being elected President.

1718.—Sir *John Ward,* Knight, Lord Mayor, held the Court at the election of Sir *Robert Child,* President.

1721.—Sir *George Merttins,* Knight, Alderman and Sherriff, held the Court at the election of *Robert Heysham,* Esq., Alderman, President.

1722.—Sir *Gerard Conyers,* Knight, Lord Mayor, held the Court at the election of Sir *Francis Fforbes,* Alderman, President.

1727.—Sir *John Eyles,* Bart., Lord Mayor, held the Court at the election of Sir *George Merttins,* Alderman, President.

1728.—Sir *Edward Becher,* Knight, Lord Mayor, at the election of *Francis Child,* Esq , Alderman, President.

JOHN KEELY, Under Clerk.

13th September, 1737.

BRIDEWELL AND BETHLEM.

1737—27th Septr.

An Account of the manner of Electing of Presidents of the United Hospitals of Bridewell and Bethlem on Deaths or Removals, and by whose Directions and Authority the Courts have been appointed and held, as far as appears by the Court Books kept at the said Hospital of Bridewell.

The Courts for the Election of a President on Deaths or Removals were antiently held by an Alderman, or by Treasurer of the said Hospitals for the time being, and the person who was elected by the majority of the Governors then present was duly declared elected, but it does not appear by whose direction or authority such Courts were appointed or held.

But from the beginning of the year 1660, from which time the Books seem to have been more regularly kept, the Presidents have been chosen as follows, vizt. :—

1660. Septr. 5.—Mr. Treasurer acquainted the Court that Mr. Alderman *Pack* had sent a letter that he had resigned the office of President, whereupon Sir *Richard Brown,* Bart., Alderman, was elected President.

1669. Oct. 22.—Sir *Richard Brown* being then dead, the Treasurer held a Court, at which Sir *William Turner,* Alderman, then Lord Mayor, was elected President.

1688. Nov. 14th.—The Treasurer acquainted the Court that Sir *John Chapman,* then Lord Mayor, desired to decline the office of President, and Sir *James Smith,* Alderman, was elected President in the room of Sir *William Turner,* who had laid down his gown and ceased to be an Alderman.

1689. July 4.—At a Court held by the Treasurer, Sir *Henry Tulse,* Alderman, was elected President in the room of Sir *James Smith.*

1689. July 9th.—The Treasurer held this Court, and acquainted them that Sir *Henry Tulse* desired to be excused the office of President, and thereupon Sir *Robert Geffery,* Alderman, was elected President.

1703. March 15.—Sir *John Parsons,* then Lord Mayor, held the Court, and Sir *Samuel Dashwood,* Alderman, was elected President in the room of Sir *Robert Geffery,* deceased.

1705. Sep. 22.—Sir *Owen Buckingham,* Lord Mayor, held the Court, and Sir *Thomas Rawlinson,* Alderman, was elected President in the room of Sir *Samuel Dashwood,* deceased.

1708. March 15th.—Sir Charles Duncombe, Lord Mayor, held the Court, and Sir *William Withers,* Alderman, was elected President in the room of Sir *Thomas Rawlinson,* deceased.

1720. March 10.—Sir *John Fryer,* Lord Mayor, held the Court, and Sir *Samuel Garrard,* Alderman, was elected President in the room of Sir *William Withers,* deceased.

1725. May 7.—Sir *George Merttins,* Lord Mayor, held the Court at which it was ordered that the election of a President in the room of Sir *Samuel Garrard,* deceased, should be at the next Court.

1725. Aug. 5.—The Treasurer held the next Court, at which *Humphrey Parsons,* Esq., Alderman, the present President, was elected.

J. Taylor.

22nd Septr., 1737.

ST. THOMAS'S.

1733-7. Geo. 2. 22 May. Billers M.

An Extract of Precedents taken from the Court Books of St. Thomas's Hospital, touching method used in chusing a President for the said Hospital, from the year 1643 to 1732.

11th Aug., 1643.—On the death of Sir *Edward Wright*, Alderman, a Court was held by Mr. *Clark*, Treasurer, and Mr. Alderman *Adams* was elected President.

1 March, 1649.—On the resignation of Sir *Thomas Adams*, a Court was held by Mr. *Clark*, Treasurer, and Mr. Alderman *Andrews* was elected President.

2d Sep., 1659.—On the death of Mr. Alderman *Andrews*, a Court was held by Mr. *Partridge*, Treasurer, and Mr. Alderman *Warner* was elected President.

7 Decr., 1660.—At a Court, Mr. Alderman *Warner* resigned the Presidentship, and Sir *Thomas Adams*, who had formerly resigned, was re-elected.

1st Apl., 1668.—On the death of Sir *Thomas Adams*, a Court was held by Mr. *Osbolston*, Treasurer, and Sir *William Peak*, then Lord Mayor, was elected President; and a Committee being sent to acquaint him with it he refused to hold.

21 Apl., 1668.—A Court was held by Mr. *Osbolston*, Treasurer, and Sir *John Lawrence* was elected President.

18 Feb., 1691.—On the death of Sir *John Lawrence*, Alderman, a Court was held by Mr. *Reading*, Treasurer, and Sir *Robert Clayton*, Alderman, was elected President.

8th Augt., 1707.—On the death of Sir *Robert Clayton*, Alderman, a Court was held by Mr. *Eyre*, Treasurer, and Sir *Thomas Abney*, Alderman, was elected President.

1st March, 1721.—On the death of Sir *Thomas Abney*, Alderman, a Court was held by Mr. *Cole*, Treasurer, and Sir *Gilbert Heathcote*, Alderman, was elected President.

27th Feb., 1721.—8 Geo. I.—Rep. Stewarts.—No. 126, fol. 231. —Letter from the Lord Mayor to *William Cole*, Esq., Treasurer of St. Thomas's Hospital, touching the holding of a Court for the election of a President.

"Guildhall, 27 Feb., 1721.

"SIR,—I being engaged on Thursday next at the Sessions in the Old Bailey, do Desire you to hold a Court that day at St. Thomas's Hospital for the election of a President, in the room of Sir Thomas Abney, deced.

"WILLIAM STEWART, Mayor."

"To Wm. Cole, Esqr., Treasurr of St. Thomas's Hospital."

The same is ordered to be entrd in ye Repertry.

After the last mentioned Court was summoned, and before the day of sitting, the then Lord Mayor, Sir *William Stewart,* was pleased to send for the Clerk of this Hospital, and enquired by whose order the Court was appointed, and his Lordship was informed by the said Clerk that the same was summoned by order of the Grand Committee, as had been upon the death of Sir *Robert Clayton;* whereupon the said then Lord Mayor declared that the Mayor being first named in the Charter, he was advised that the Mayor for the time being ought to be consulted as to the time of holding a Court to chuse a new President, to the end he might be present if he pleased, and it being Sessions Week he could not attend on the day appointed.

This matter being signified to the then Treasurer, he, the said Treasurer, with two gentlemen of the Governors attended his Lordship, and shewed to him and some of the Aldermen an extract from the Repertory of this Hospital, whereby it appeared that from the year 1649 every Court for the chusing a President was held by the Treasurer. And thereupon the said Lord Mayor was pleased to deliver a letter to the Treasurer, desiring him to hold a Court that day for the chusing a President.

22d Feb. 1732.—On the death of Sir *Gilbert Heathcote,* a Court was held by Mr. *Joye,* Treasurer, and Sir *Gerard Conyers,* Alderman, was chosen President.

Extracted from the Court Books of St. Thomas Hospital by order of Grand Committee.

THOMAS MATTHEW, Clerk.

24th April, 1733.

Case and Opinion as to the Rights of the City in relation to the Hospitals.

On the 16th May, 1772, the Court of Common Council appointed a Committee to enquire into the right of the Members of that Court to be Governors of the Royal Hospitals. That Committee presented their report to the Common Council on the 25th October, 1775, and it appeared they had prepared a case for the opinion of counsel, tracing the history of the Royal Hospitals, and their Report was ordered to be printed, together with the case and questions, and opinion of Counsel, and a copy delivered to each member. This case is very long, and is but a repetition of the facts appearing in Mr. Firth's book. Most of those now brought to light are not noticed in the case. The *Questions* and *Opinion* are as follow:—

Questions.—Whether (taking it for granted that the right of the Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of *London*, to these several Hospitals still remain clear and indisputable) it has by any of the instances or means before set forth, and which of them or how otherwise been irrecoverably given up or taken away so as to preclude for the future the Court of Common Council or any part of them, or any Committee by them to be appointed, from resuming the exercise thereof, or if such right can now be legally resumed, and it should not be thought imprudent to attempt it, not exclusively, but in conjunction with those who at present act as such Governors—what method would you advise and recommend to be pursued for the recovery thereof?

Opinion.—The Government of the Hospitals appears to us to have been originally in the Corporation of *London*. It does not appear to us that the Corporation has by any act divested itself of that right, nothing to that purpose being found. But their long acquiescence in a different mode of governing them, creates a prejudice against their claim, and will have weight in the discussion of it. The most advantageous method of bringing the question to a decision, we think, must be by some ordinance or regulation of the Common Council, which, if obeyed, will be an admission of their right; if disobeyed, the appeal must then be to the crown, as the founder, as we think it a visitable body, being a private charitable institution and not for public purposes. We suggest it

to the consideration of the Common Council, whether it may not be proper for the Common Council to confirm the present Governors with a power of controuling or confirming future elections, as the revenues of the Hospitals depend so much upon the contributions of non-freemen.

JOHN GLYNN,
J. DUNNING,
THO. NUGENT.

(No date.)

[Journal 66, fols. 254 *b*,–259 *b*.]*

Memorial to the Court of Common Council for enlarging Christ's Hospital.

Common Council, 17 April, 1794.

The Memorial of the Right Worshipful the President, Treasurer, and Governors of *Christ's* Hospital was this day presented unto this Court and read in these words—

To the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London* in Common Council assembled.

The Memorial of the Right Worshipful the President, Treasurer, and Governors of *Christ's* Hospital,

Respectfully sheweth,

That your memorialists having found it necessary to extend their accommodations for the children admitted from time to time into *Christ's* Hospital, and to effect the same upon an improved and uniform plan, caused a survey to be made of the property contiguous thereto. They find that some part of the Estates belonging to the Corporation of *London* is connected with premises belonging to your memorialists and others with whom they are in

* Mr. Firth has not taken any notice of the important step taken by the Court of Common Council in appointing this Committee, nor of their report, although it is clear that this was the commencement of the attempt shortly afterwards made to regain the management of the Hospitals, originally granted to the Corporation, and exercised by them without dispute until the time of the Civil War. This attempt ended in the well-known compromise embodied in the agreement of 1782, confirmed by Parliament, under which the Hospitals are now governed. Mr. Firth may have doubted the expediency of publishing this case, but as it was printed and circulated at the time, it must be perfectly well known to the Hospital authorities, and there is no reason for its suppression.

treaty, the possession of which your memorialists are of opinion is essential to the perfecting of the said plan.

That your memorialists are solicitous of proceeding in this work with the full co-operation of this court and of every branch of the Corporation, and are encouraged to hope for such accommodation as the City of *London* can grant, as well from their accustomed readiness to forward the interest of this charitable institution as from the consideration of the genral good which may be expected to result from an extension of the same.

Your memorialists therefore request they may be permitted to open treaties with the Corporation of *London* for the purchase of such buildings and ground as may upon examination be found necessary to complete the intended enlargement of the institution.

Signed by order of the Governors of *Christ's* Hospital,
RICHD. CORP, Clerk.

Christ's Hospital, 16*th April*, 1794.

And a motion being made and question put that it be referred to the Committee for letting this City's Lands to examine the allegations thereof, and report their opinion thereon to this Court, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly. [Rep. 74, fol. 133.]*

Order of Common Council to contribute £1000 towards rebuilding Christ's Hospital.

Common Council, 2 Decr., 1802.

Resolved unanimously,—That the Chamberlain of this City do, in the name of the Corporation, subscribe the sum of one thousand pounds towards the gradual rebuilding of *Christ's* Hospital on its present site. [Rep. 80, fol. 342.]

* Why, if Mr. Firth knew of this and the six following entries, he omitted them, is difficult to understand. They relate to most important matters happening after the agreement of 1782; the one, the enlargement of Christ's Hospital and its rebuilding; the other, the removal of Bethlem Hospital from Moorfields to St. George's Fields. It will be noticed that, in both cases, the authorities of these Hospitals did not assume the corporate style, but addressed the Common Council as "the President, Treasurers, and Governors," and asked for the co-operation of the Corporation.

Report of the City Lands Committee to the Court of Common Council, 28 June, 1809, as to Bethlem Hospital.*

The Committee for letting this City's Lands did this day deliver into this Court a report in writing under their hands on treating with the Gov^nors of *Bethlem* Hospital for exchange of ground in St. *George's Fields* for the scite of *Bethlem* Hospital, which was read in these words—

To the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London* in Common Council assembled—

Whereas by an order of this Honorable Court of the 18th day of *February* 1808, it was referred to us to examine the allegations in the Memorial of the President, Treasurer and Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital to be released from the covenants in the present lease of the Hospital to continue the building for the purposes only of a Hospital, and we were empowered by such order, in conjunction with the Committee of *Bridgehouse* Estates, to treat with the Governors for the sale and purchase or exchange of certain lands in St. *George's Fields* belonging to the *Bridgehouse* Estates, and of certain lands and tenements in the possession of or belonging to the said Governors, We were afterwards attended by *Richard Clark*, Esq., Treasurer of the said Hospital, and several of the Governors, who laid before us proposals for exchanging the scite of the present Hospital for a tract of land in St. *George's Fields*, and on part of which stands the buildings lately known by the name of the Dog and Duck Ale-house, containing 11 acres or thereabouts, whereupon we recommended to the Committee of *Bridgehouse* lands to negotiate with the Governors of the said Hospital for an exchange upon liberal terms of the scite of the present Hospital for such quantity of land at and near the said premises known by the name of the Dog and Duck as they should deem necessary for the purposes of the said Hospital, and we directed a copy of the said proposals to be sent to such Committee. The *Bridgehouse* Committee have since reported that they have had several meetings with the Building Committee of the Governors

* The next four entries relate to the removal of Bethlem Hospital from Moor Fields to St. George's Fields.

of the Hospital, and that having considered the said proposals of exchange, they at length came to a final Resolution thereon as follows:—

Resolved—That it is the opinion of this Committee that upon a surrender of the existing leases of the present scite of *Bethlem* Hospital to the Corporation of this City, they will recommend to the Court of Common Council to grant to the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital a lease of the said piece or parcel of ground in St. *George's Fields*, containing 11 acres or thereabouts, and marked A. on the plan of the said fields, for the remainder of the term to come in the present lease of the Hospital, in exchange for the scite thereof, on condition that the Governors do erect a new Hospital capable of containing not less than 200 patients, with an open space of not less than 8 acres, the said 8 acres not to be used for any other purpose, but with permission to apply the residue of the ground to such uses as the Governors shall see fit.

The said Committee further reported that in answer to the above resolution they had received the following resolution from the *Bethlem* Building Committee, to wit:—

"Resolved—That if the Honorable Court of Common Council will agree to the Governors of the Hospital holding the said land in St. *George's Fields*, described A. on the plan, for the like term which is to come in the scite of the present Hospital, and at the nominal rent mentioned in the present lease, the Building Committee will on their parts forthwith recommend to the Governors to surrender the present scite of the Hospital to the Corporation, and agree to erect an hospital for not less than 200 lunatics, in such manner as that eight acres shall be occupied by the building and offices, and a space for air and exercise, and the remaining part to be appropriated towards augmenting the revenues of the Hospital for the benefit of the lunatic patients.

That having fully considered the subject, we recommend to this Honorable Court to accept the terms proposed by the Governors in the said resolution, and to empower your Committee, in conjunction with the *Bridgehouse* Committee, to carry the same into execution in such manner as counsel shall advise. All which we submit to the judgment of this Honorable Court.

"Dated this 23rd day of *June*, 1809."

W. Roberts,
J. Rowlatt,
Thos. Reeve,
Thos. Williams,
Wm. Whately,
Edwd. Hanson,
Richd. Rankin,
Thos. Blunt,
John Hoppe,
John Adcock,
Chris. Smith,
John Perring,
Geo. Scholez,
Wm. Domville,
John Dueffell,
R. Slade,
S. Wadd,
Chas. Bartrum,
Wm. Hardy,
Saml. Tomkins,
Jno. Wm. Goss."

And a motion being made and question put that this Court doth agree with the Committee in their said Report, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolved—That it be referred to the said Committee to proceed in the compleating the exchange of ground for the building *Bethlem* Hospital, and to report thereon to this Court. [Journal 85, fol. 174 *et seq.*]

Report of the City Lands Committee to the Court of Common Council, 3 May, 1810, recommending Seal to be affixed to the Agreement as to Bethlem Hospital, and to a Petition for an Act of Parliament.

The Committee for letting this City's lands did this day deliver into this Court a report in writing under their hands for affixing the City seal to the agreement between the City and the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital for exchanging the seite of the hospital for certain ground in St. *George's Fields,* which was read in these words—

To the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London* in Common Council assembled.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, your Committee for letting the City's lands in the account of the Chamberlain of *London,* do certify that by an order of this Hon. Court of the 28th of *June* last, it was referred to us to proceed in compleating the agreement between the Corporation of *London* and the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital for exchanging a piece or parcel of

ground in St. *George's Fields,* parcel of the *Bridgehouse* Estate, for the scite of the said hospital, whereupon we directed Mr. Solicitor to advise with counsel as to the best means of carrying such agreement into effect.

We have since received a report from Mr. Solicitor, with the opinion of counsel, as follows:—

To the Worshipful Committee of City Lands.

Gentlemen,

In obedience to the order of this Worshipful Committee made upon reading a resolution of the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital on the subject of exchanging the scite of the said hospital for ground in St. *George's Fields,* belonging to the *Bridgehouse* Estates, whereby it was referred to me to advise with counsel as to the best means of carrying into effect the agreement with the said Governors, I have the honor to certify that a case has been prepared and laid before Mr. Recorder, Mr. Common Serjeant, and Mr. *Dampier,* with instructions for their opinion and advice accordingly, and a consultation had thereupon, which was attended by Mr. Comptroller of the City and Mr. Comptroller of the *Bridgehouse* Estates, whose aid and assistance, given by direction of this Worshipful Committee, and of the Worshipful Committee of *Bridgehouse* Estates, afforded much benefit in the discussion of the matters in question, and after fully considering the several circumstances, Mr. Recorder, Mr. Common Serjeant, and Mr. *Dampier* have given their opinion as to the best means of carrying the said agreement into effect as follows:—

"We are of opinion that, independently of all other circumstances, the charges laid on the City lands by the Act of William and Mary, c. 10, from which the *Bridgehouse* lands are exempted, makes it absolutely necessary for the parties to obtain an Act of Parliament in order to carry into effect the agreement which has been entered into."

JOHN SILVESTER,
NEWMAN KNOWLYS,
H. DAMPIER.

Dec. 4, 1809.

All which is submitted to the judgment of this Worshipful Committee by,

Gentlemen,

Your faithful obedient servant,

W. L. NEWMAN, *Solicitor.*

We thereupon directed Mr. Remembrancer to prepare a petition to the Right Honorable the House of Lords for effecting the purposes of the said agreement, and directed a copy to be sent of our proceedings to the *Bridgehouse* Committee.

On the 26th of *January* last we were attended by Mr. Remembrancer, who stated to us the necessity of the agreement being prepared preparatory to the application to Parliament for effecting the purposes thereof. Whereupon we directed Mr. Solicitor, with the assistance of Mr. Remembrancer, Mr. Comptroller, and the Clerk Comptroller of the *Bridgehouse*, to prepare the said agreement accordingly, and that the Clerk Comptroller of the *Bridgehouse* should assist Mr. Remembrancer in the Bill to be presented to Parliament. The Clerk Comptroller of the *Bridgehouse* has since laid before us several proceedings of the *Bridgehouse* Committee on the subject of the said exchange.

Mr. Solicitor has laid before us the agreement as settled by counsel; we therefore recommend your Honorable Court to cause the seal of the City to be affixed thereto, and that the petition to the House of Lords should be presented forthwith. All which we submit to the judgment of this Hon. Court.

Dated this 2nd day of *May*, 1810.

Wm. Hardy,	Saml. Goodbehere,
Jno. Wm. Joss,	Jno. Walter,
Saml. Nash,	Edwd. Frisby.
Saml. Birch,	

Resolved—That this Court do agree with the Committee in their said report.

The agreement between the Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London* and the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital for exchanging the site of the hospital for certain ground in St. *George's Fields*, was sealed with the City seal, and also one other agreement from the said Governors to the said Mayor, &c., for the same purpose, was this day sealed with the seal commonly used for sealing of hospital deeds.

A draft of a petition to the House of Lords thereon, and for effecting the purposes of the said agreement being prepared was read and agreed to in these words:—

To the Right Honorable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, the Imperial Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London* in Common Council assembled, and of the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital in the said City,

Sheweth,

That your petitioners, the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital, are owners of the seite of *Bethlem* Hospital and the land held therewith, for the remainder of two terms of 999 years and 881 years, granted by the Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London.*

That the said hospital was originally built upon an inseeure foundation, and having been for several years past in a very delapidated state, to the great danger of the patients and offieers residing therein, as well as to the publie at large, eonsiderable part thereof was some time sinee neeessarily taken down, and the remainder of the said building eannot mueh longer be supported.

That under the eircumstanees aforesaid many lunaties have been denied admittanee to the said hospital who would have been reeeived therein in ease the hospital had been eapable of housing them, and the number of patients heretofore usually admitted must be still further diminished unless a new building suitable to the purposes of the said eharity shall be ereeted without loss of time.

That your petitioners, the Governors, are desirous of ereeting a new building eapable of eontaining a greater number of patients than the old hospital, and to afford them the advantage of exereise in the open air, but the seite of the present hospital, and the land held therewith, are wholly inadequate to the purposes aforesaid.

That your petitioners, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commons are owners of several pieees of land in St. *George's Fields,* in the eounty of *Surrey,* eontaining 11 aeres, whieh would be fully adequate to the ereetion of a new hospital on the seale aforesaid, and be otherwise applieable for the benefit of the eharity.

That your petitioners, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, and your petitioners, the Governors, are desirous that the leases in the seite of the present hospital, and the lands held therewith, should be surrendered and given up, and that the said land in St. *George's Fields* should be granted to or in trust for the Governors of the

said hospital for the like term for the purposes aforesaid, but all the lands vested in the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commons are, under or by virtue of certain Acts of Parliament, charged with certain large annual sums of money for payment of the orphans and other creditors of the said City of *London.*

That your petitioners apprehend that the said land in St. *George's Fields* aforesaid might be discharged from the said annual sums without prejudice to the creditors aforesaid, and that the building of a new hospital on an enlarged scale, for the occupation and care of lunatics, would be a great public benefit. That your petitioners were not able to make the necessary arrangements for carrying into effect the beneficial purposes aforesaid until after the time limited by this Hon. House for receiving petitions for private Bills.

> Your petitioners therefore humbly pray your Lordships that in consideration of the circumstances aforesaid, leave may be given to bring in a Bill for effecting the purposes aforesaid, in such manner and under such rules and regulations as to this Right Honourable House may seem meet.

Ordered, that the said Petition be fairly transcribed and signed by the Town Clerk, and presented to the Hon. the House of Lords forthwith.

Ordered, that the Sheriffs, attended by the Remembrancer, do wait upon some Lord in Parliament and request him to present the same.

A draft of a petition to the House of Lords for leave to present the above petition, was read and agreed to.

Ordered, that the said petition be fairly transcribed and signed by the Town Clerk, and presented to the Honorable the House of Lords forthwith.

Ordered, that the Sheriffs, attended by the Remembrancer, do wait upon some Lord in Parliament and request him to present the same.

This day one petition, dated the 3rd day of *May* instant, from the Mayor, Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London,* Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital, to the Honourable the House of Lords, for exchanging the scite of the hospital for certain ground in St. *George's Fields,* and also one other petition, dated the same

day, and made by the said Mayor, etc., Governors aforesaid, to the Honourable the House of Lords, for leave to present the above petition, were sealed with the seal commonly used for sealing of Hospital Deeds. [Journal 86, fol. 61 *b, et seq.*]

Report of the City Lands Committee to the Court of Common Council, 8th June, 1810, for affixing Seal to the Act of Parliament as to Bethlem Hospital.

The Committee for letting this City's lands did this day deliver into this Court a Report in writing under their hands for affixing the City seal to the Bill in Parliament for exchanging ground with the Governors of *Bridewell* and *Bethlem* Hospitals, which was read in these words :—

To the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled.

We of your Committee for letting the City's lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of *London*, do certify, that in pursuance of the order of this Hon. Court, we have directed a Bill to be prepared for vesting the lease of the present seite of *Bethlem* Hospital in the Corporation of *London*, and for the authorizing the Corporation to grant certain land in St. *George's Fields* in lieu thereof to trustees for the Governors of the Hospital for the like term, for the purpose of erecting a new hospital thereon, a printed copy of which Bill we have hereunto annexed for the information of this Hon. Court, and we recommend the City's seal to be affixed thereto to testify the consent of this Hon. Court to the said Bill. All which is respectfully submitted to the judgment of this Hon. Court this 8th day of *June* 1810.

Willm. Hardy,	Christ. Smith,
Edwd. Frisby,	Jno. Walter,
Geo. Clode,	Jos. Harn,
Jno. Wm. Goss,	J. Stokes.
Saml. Birch,	

And a motion being made and question put that this Court doth agree with the Committee in their said report, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

This day a docquet of a Bill, intituled an Act for vesting the lease of the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital in the seite of the hospital in the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London,* by whom it was granted, and for authorizing the Lord Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens to grant certain lands in St. *George's Fields* in lieu thereof to trustees for the Governors thereof for the like term, for the purpose of erecting a new hospital thereon on an enlarged scale, was this day sealed with the common seal of this city.

This day a docquet of a Bill in Parliament for vesting the lease of the Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital in the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London,* by whom it was granted, and for authorizing the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens to grant certain lands in St. *George's Fields* in lieu thereof to trustees for the Governors of the said hospital for the like term, for the purpose of erecting a new hospital thereon on an enlarged scale, was sealed with the seal commonly used for sealing of Hospital Deeds. [Journal 86, fol. 125 *et seq.*]

Application of the Governors of Bethlem Hospital to the Court of Common Council for pecuniary aid towards rebuilding the Hospital. Court held 28th November, 1811.

The minutes of the following Bethlem Building Committees were read and confirmed, viz :—

The 17th *July* last,
The 9th *August* last,
The 25th *September* last,
The 30th *October* last, and
The 27th *November* inst.

The Court then considered the recommendation of the *Bethlem* Building Committee that application be made to the City of *London* for its assistance in the rebuilding of *Bethlem* Hospital, and upon the question being put from the chair that this court do accede to such recommendation, the same was carried in the affirmative, and the following memorial was read by the Clerk and ordered to be presented to the next Court of Common Council. And it was further ordered that the President be requested to present the

same, and that such of the Governors now present as may be able, be also requested to attend the presenting thereof.

"To the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled.

"The Memorial of the President, Treasurer, and Governors of *Bethlem* Hospital.

"Respectfully sheweth,

"That the present Hospital, which was erected almost immediately after the Fire of *London*, upon an unsound foundation, and constructed in haste as well as in a great degree with unseasoned materials, having long been in so decayed and dangerous a state as to render it necessary to pull down a considerable part of it, and to limit the number of patients, and the remaining part of the building being also hastening rapidly to decay, it became at length necessary to meet such exigency, and to enter into an agreement with your Worshipful Corporation for an exchange of the present site of the Hospital for a piece of ground situated in Saint *George's Fields*, for the purpose of erecting a new and enlarged Hospital, which agreement has since been ratified by Parliament. That in consequence thereof your memorialists are anxious to carry into effect as speedily as possible the wishes of both bodies, thus sanctioned by the legislature, but, inasmuch as their funds are not adequate to meet the expense of a new building without the assistance of Corporate bodies and individuals throughout the Kingdom, Your memorialists are induced, in the first instance, to resort to the well-known liberality and bounty of your Worshipful Corporation which deservedly stands at the head of every other, and to present their earnest request for assistance in the prosecution of the great work they have now undertaken, which is nothing less than the supply of more extensive means of relief and cure than have ever yet been afforded to the unfortunate subjects of the greatest of all human maladies.

"Your Memorialists beg leave only to add that they leave their case with confidence in the hands of a Corporation which is not only great from the station which it occupies, but from the generosity which it exercises, and they entertain scarcely a doubt that the humane and charitable feelings which have been so often called forth by claims of a less important nature will be felt in

their fullest force and operate in their largest extent on occasion of the present application, whereby the Governors may be the better enabled to erect an Hospital, which may be at once a monument of a benevolent and enlightened area, and an honor to a great and distinguished metropolis."

"Signed by Order of Court, 28th *November*, 1811."

Order of Court of Common Council, 20 February, 1812, contributing £3000 towards rebuilding Bethlem Hospital.

Resolved unanimously—That Mr. Chamberlain do subscribe the sum of three thousand pounds to the Treasurer of the hospitals of *Bridewell* and *Bethlem*, as the gift of this Court, to be applied towards the purpose of building a new hospital for the reception of lunaties at St. *George's Fields*, in lieu of the present *Bethlem* Hospital at *Moorfields*, within this city. [Rep. 87, fol. 145.]

Statement presented to the Attorney-General by direction of the General Purposes Committee of the Court of Common Council, in opposition to the removal of St. Thomas's Hospital from Southwark to Stangate.

1. This Hospital was originally founded by the Prior of *Bermondsey*, in the year 1213, for converts and poor children. It was remodelled in 1215 by the Bishop of *Winchester* for regular canons, and seems to have remained a religious establishment until the 30th year of the reign of King *Henry* the VIII., when it was surrendered into his hands at the time of the dissolution of the monasteries.

2. The City of *London* purchased of the Crown the suppressed Hospital, and repaired and adapted it for the reception of diseased people. They obtained a charter for it from King *Edward* the VI., in the 5th year of his reign (1551), which recited that the King, considering the miserable condition of the poor, weak, and sick people lying and begging in the highways and streets of *London*, to their no small grief and pain, and to the

infection and molesting of his subjects; and their health and security no less desiring than the curing and sustentation of the aforenamed people, granted unto the Corporation of the City of *London*, the Hospital of *Thomas a' Beckett* in *Southwark*, commonly called the Hospital of Saint *Thomas*, with various endowments to support the same: to hold to the Corporation and their successors for ever by fealty only; and he granted that the said Hospital should thenceforth be a place and house for poor people, there to be relieved and sustained, and should be called the house of the poor in *Southwark* of his foundation, that they should keep sisters fit and proper to serve the poor people there, and sustain one skilful surgeon to heal the sick and infirm; and that the revenues of the said Hospital should be expended for the use and sustentation of the poor sick and infirm in the said Hospital; and he granted license to the Corporation to hold land in mortmain for the better sustentation of the said Hospital.

3. In *November* of the following year (1552) the Hospital was first opened for the admission of patients, and the Corporation at once proceeded to assume the charge and government of it.

4. On the 12th *June* in the following year (1553) an indenture of covenants was made between the King and the Corporation, affecting not only St. *Thomas's* Hospital, but also *Bridewell* and *Christ's*, which indenture was confirmed by letters patent on the 26th of the same month of *June*, whereby the King granted and confirmed the said hospitals, with all their possessions, unto the Corporation, and gave them abundant powers for the government of those foundations. In this charter the possessions of the Old *Savoy* Hospital were conveyed to the Corporation of *London*, who were incorporated anew as Governors of this Hospital, jointly with *Christ's* and *Bridewell;* and so anxious were the Corporation to make this Hospital useful and efficient for the citizens of *London*, that on the 11th *August*, 1562, they agreed that the lands lately belonging to the *Savoy*, and all other lands that had been given to the three Hospitals (except some property within the immediate precincts of *Christ's* Hospital), should be turned over to the relief of the poor in St. *Thomas's* Hospital; and it is believed that from that day to this, the possessions which formerly belonged to the *Savoy*, although originally granted for the use of all the three hospitals of *Christ*, *Bridewell*, and St. *Thomas*, have been considered

as the peculiar property of St. *Thomas*, and enjoyed by them accordingly.

5. In the 19th year of the reign of King *Charles* the First (1644), the report of the President, Treasurers, and Governors of the three Hospitals recommended that the Constables and Beadles of the City Wards should search the streets for all rogues, vagabonds, idle women, and children, and take them to *Bridewell* Hospital, where the Governors were to dispose and sort them, the sick, poor, and lame to St. *Thomas's* and Saint *Bartholomew's*, the small children to *Christ's*, and the sturdy rogues and vagabonds to be employed in *Bridewell*. So much of that regulation as applies to the sick poor has ever since been practically carried into effect by the magistrates of the City of *London* sending all the sick poor who made application at the Mansion House Justice Room, to St. *Thomas's* Hospital, and all those who came to the *Guildhall* Justice Room, to St. *Bartholomew's*.

6. It is needful here to mention that in consequence of a new class of persons, namely, those who have from time to time assisted the Hospital by donations, having come into existence since its original foundation, and claimed to be considered as Governors, an Act of Parliament was passed in the year 1782 (22 *Geo.* 3 cap. 77), to confirm an agreement by which those persons were recognized as Donation Governors, and invested with certain rights as such, although the charters of *Edward* 6th constituted the Corporation of *London*, in their corporate capacity, sole Governors of this and the other Hospitals. Since the passing of this Act of Parliament, these Donation Governors, together with a certain delegation from the Corporation of *London*, viz., the Lord Mayor, all the Aldermen and twelve Commoners to each Hospital, have been the actual Governors of the Hospitals under the title of "The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London*, Governors of the possessions, revenues, and goods of the Hospitals of *Edward*, late King of *England*, the 6th, of *Christ*, *Bridewell*, and St. *Thomas* the Apostle."

7. This alteration in the governing body of the Hospital does not, however, in any way affect the question to which this statement relates, namely, the claim that the Corporation of the City of *London* has, and makes, that the Hospital of St. *Thomas* shall be and remain as it has been from the period of its foundation, a

Hospital for the relief of the sick poor of the City of *London* and Borough of *Southwark*.

8. It is to be borne in mind that the Corporation of the City of *London* were the original founders of the present Hospital, after the dissolution of the monasteries, that they purchased the site, that they petitioned the King to refound it as a Hospital, that the poor and sick of the City might have relief there, and that they, in the time of its early difficulties, by grants from Corporation funds, and from charges laid upon the citizens, most materially assisted in its establishment. At this time the Borough of *Southwark*, where it is situate, was of comparatively small limits. A bird's-eye view (still extant) of *London*, *Westminster*, and *Southwark*, as they appeared in the year 1543, just before the time of the foundation of the Hospital, shows that, with the exception of the Hospital, the church of Saint *Saviour*, and a few conventual buildings about them, and some houses along the highway leading to the bridge, the whole population was located on the northern bank of the Thames, and within the boundary of the City of *London*. It may therefore, without fear of dispute be contended that the primary object of the refoundation of this Hospital was the relief of the poor of the City.

9. As the inhabitants increased on the southern bank of the Thames, no obstacle was raised to the benevolent provision of its founders being extended to them, and so *Southwark*, with its busy water-side population (who being engaged in pursuits of manufacture and commerce were peculiarly liable to many accidents), has for two centuries participated in the inestimable benefits of the Hospital.

10. The City of *London*, until the recent destruction of this Hospital, has enjoyed the great advantage of having it as the Hospital to which half of their sick poor could always be sent. As is well known, the *Charing Cross* Railway Company caused its removal last year, and from that time until now the question of the site of its rebuilding has been a subject for debate among the public and those interested in the matter. In the meanwhile the Governors of the Hospital have rented the *Surrey* Gardens, where they provide a temporary hospital.

11. Within the last few days a provisional agreement has been entered into between the Governors of St. *Thomas's* Hospital and the Metropolitan Board of Works, by which, when so much of the

Southern Embankment Scheme shall be finished as will enable them to do so, the latter body are to hand over, for £95,000, seven acres of land opposite the Houses of Parliament, and on the bank of the River Thames, upon which to re-build the Hospital. To this arrangement the Corporation of the City of *London* strongly objects, and protests against it as an infringement of their rights, contending that, so far as regards its original purposes, and the localities for whose benefit it was established and has been so long maintained, the spot suggested is undoubtedly a most improper site for the Hospital. They conceive that having, as before stated, been the actual refounders of the institution in its present form, as a hospital for the sick and poor of the City, and the great and sole object of that foundation being relief to the sick poor of the City, its removal entirely away from the confines of the City is totally inconsistent with their rights and interests; and their duty requires that they should strenuously oppose such contemplated removal. They assert it to be their clear right and duty to insist, that the Hospital shall be rebuilt within such a distance of the City, as will still secure to the citizens all its benefits and advantages; an object which the adoption of the site at *Stangate* will in no way fulfil.

12. Their main objection being one upon principle, to its removal to a distance from the City, the Corporation do not feel bound to dwell at length upon any other objections which may be urged against the rebuilding of the Hospital on the proposed site; but it is to be observed, that for three centuries St. *Thomas's* Hospital has been enjoyed by the labouring population of the south-eastern side of *London*, and their claims ought to be considered in the place where it is to be rebuilt. Moreover, that if it be a question of accommodating the largest population, the inhabitants of the south-eastern suburbs are very much larger in number than those of the south-western suburbs, and very much larger than the latter are ever likely to become, so extensive a space being appropriated for public purposes at *Battersea* as a park, and not being available therefore for residence. Besides, the south-western portions of the Metropolis are already amply provided with hospital accommodation, there being two hospitals in close proximity to the spot on which it is proposed to rebuild St. *Thomas's*, viz., *Westminster* Hospital, only just across the bridge, and *Charing Cross* Hospital, within half a mile.

13. The Corporation might here fairly end their case, and content themselves with saying, that the site at *Stangate* being an infringement of their rights, it is sufficient for them to object to that site, without pointing out other objections, or suggesting where the Hospital may be built; but desiring to deal fully with the whole case, they may remark that it is a very debatable point whether, having regard to the fact, that nearly the whole of the water that comes down the River *Thames* is abstracted before it reaches *Teddington Weir* by the several Waterworks Companies, who have to supply an ever-increasing population, the *Thames* will, even when the drainage works shall have been carried out, become of such a character as to justify the erection of a Hospital upon its banks.

14. As to themselves suggesting a site, the Corporation need do no more than point out that there is the site of the *Queen's Prison*, which is near to the former site, and on that account alone, a very desirable spot upon which a new Hospital might with advantage be erected; there is also the location of the temporary Hospital, the *Surrey* Gardens; there is a third site behind *Newington* Church, which is regarded with very great favour by the parishes in the Borough of *Southwark* and by the public at large; and a fourth, where *Bethlehem* Hospital now stands; and a fifth a large piece of ground fronting the new street from *London* Bridge to *Blackfriars* Bridge; any one of which sites would, in the opinion of the Corporation, be more appropriate, and would certainly be available at an earlier period than the ground at *Stangate* (which is not yet in existence) could possibly be; whilst each of them is nearer to the district for whose especial benefit the Hospital was founded.

15. For these reasons the Attorney-General is respectfully requested by the Corporation of the City of *London* to refuse his sanction to the purchase of the site at *Stangate*, and to oppose the re-erection of St. *Thomas's* Hospital there.

T. J. Nelson,
City Solicitor.

Guildhall, 28th *November*, 1863.

LIST OF PRESIDENTS OF THE FOUR ROYAL HOSPITALS.*

THE PRESIDENTS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL.

1553	Alderman	Sir John Ayliffe.
1564	,,	Sir William Garrard.
1572	,,	Sir Rowland Hayward.
1593	,,	Sir John Harte.
1603	,,	Sir John Spencer.
1609	,,	Sir Thomas Lowe.
1623	,,	Sir Thomas Bennett.
1627	,,	Sir Allen Cotton.
1628	,,	Sir Robert Ducie.
1634	,,	Sir Nicholas Rainton.
1646	,,	Sir George Clarke.
1648	,,	Sir Abraham Reynardson.
1649	,,	Sir Thomas Foot.
1660	,,	Sir Richard Chiverton.
1675	,,	Sir Richard Ford.
1678	,,	Sir Joseph Sheldon.

* The preceding are all copies of existing documents. What follows is not. It was thought that a list of the Presidents of the Royal Hospitals, from their foundation to the present time, would be an acceptable addition, as no such list has hitherto been published. One has accordingly been compiled with care from the records of the Corporation, and submitted to the clerks of the four Hospitals, for their revision, and the Editor acknowledges his obligation to Mr. Wilby, the clerk of St. Bartholomew's; to Mr. Dipnall, the clerk of Christ's; and to Mr. Jeafferson, the clerk of Bridewell Hospital, for their ready compliance with his request.

1681	Alderman	Sir James Edwards.
1688	,,	Sir William Pritchard.
1704	,,	Sir John Fleete.
1712	,,	Sir William Stewart.
1723	,,	Richard Brocas.
1737	,,	John Barber.
1740	,,	Sir Robert Godschall.
1742	,,	Robert Westley.
1745	,,	Sir Henry Marshall.
1754	,,	John Blachford.
1759	,,	Francis Cockayne.
1767	,,	Sir Thomas Rawlinson.
1770	,,	Thomas Harley.
1804	,,	Sir James Shaw.
1831	,,	Matthias Prime Lucas.
1848	,,	John Kinnersley Hooper.
1855	,,	Sir George Carroll.
1860	,,	William Cubitt.

THE PRESIDENTS OF CHRIST'S HOSPITAL.

1553	Alderman	Sir George Barnes.
1556	,,	Sir Martin Bowes.
1556	,,	Sir Andrew Judd.
1559	,,	Sir Thomas Offley.
1563	,,	Sir Thomas Offley.
1563	,,	Sir Thomas White.
1582	,,	Sir Thomas Ramsey.
1590	,,	Sir Wolstone Dixie.
1593	,,	Sir Richard Martin.
1602	,,	Sir Stephen Slaney.
1608	,,	Sir Humphrey Weld.
1610	,,	Sir William Craven.
1618	,,	Sir John Leman.
1632	,,	Sir Martin Lumley.

1634	Alderman	Sir Hugh Hammersley.
1636	,,	Sir Christopher Clitherow.
1641	,,	Sir Richard Gurney.
1643	,,	Sir John Cordall.
1648	,,	Sir John Gayer.
1649	,,	Sir John Wallaston.
1658	,,	Sir Thomas Vyner.
1660	,,	Sir Thomas Atkins.
1661	,,	John Fowke.
1662	,,	Sir John Frederick.
1683	,,	Sir Robert Vyner.
1684	,,	Sir John Moore.
1702	,,	Sir Francis Child.
1712	,,	Sir Richard Hoare.
1718	,,	Sir Robert Child.
1721	,,	Robert Heysham.
1722	,,	Sir Francis Forbes.
1727	,,	Sir George Mertins.
1727	,,	Francis Child.
1740	,,	Sir John Barnard.
1758	,,	Sir Robert Ladbroke.
1773	,,	Sir William Bankes.
1774	,,	Robert Alsop.
1785	,,	Richard Clark.
1798	,,	Sir John William Anderson, Bart.
1813	,,	Sir William Curtis, Bart.
1829	,,	William Thompson.
1855	H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge.	

THE PRESIDENTS OF BRIDEWELL AND BETHLEM HOSPITAL.

1565	Alderman	Sir William Chester.
1569	,,	Sir Lionel Ducket.
1573	,,	Sir Alexander Avenon.
1580	,,	Sir Lionel Ducket.
1586	,,	Sir Thomas Pullison.

1588	Alderman	Sir George Bond.
1589	,,	Sir Wolstane Dixie.
1589	,,	Sir George Bond.
1593	,,	Sir William Rowe.
1594	,,	Sir William Webbe.
1598	,,	Sir Stephen Soame.
1599	,,	Sir Stephen Slaney.
1600	,,	Sir William Ryder.
1605	,,	Sir Leonard Halliday.
1606	,,	Sir Thomas Bennett.
1613	,,	Sir Thomas Middleton.
1660	,,	Sir Richard Brown.*
1669	,,	Sir William Turner.
1688	,,	Sir James Smyth.
1689	,,	Sir Henry Tulse.†
1689	,,	Sir Robert Geffery.
1690	,,	Sir William Turner.
1693	,,	Sir Robert Geffery.
1703	,,	Sir Samuel Dashwood.
1705	,,	Sir Thomas Rawlinson.
1708	,,	Sir William Withers.
1721	,,	Sir Samuel Garrard.
1725	,,	Humphrey Parsons.
1741	,,	Robert Willmott.
1747	,,	William Benn.
1755	,,	Sir Richard Glyn, Bart.
1773	,,	Walter Rawlinson.
1777	,,	Brackley Kennett.
1782	,,	Brass Crosby.
1793	,,	Sir James Sanderson.
1798	,,	Sir Richard Carr Glyn, Bart.
1833	,,	Sir Peter Laurie.
1861	,,	William Taylor Copeland.

* It is unlikely that Sir Thomas Middleton continued President for so long a period as forty-seven years, but no other name can be found in the Corporation records, and the Hospital books were not regularly kept until 1660 (*vide* p. 86), so that the point cannot be cleared up.

† Was President for four days only.

THE PRESIDENTS OF ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL.*

1564	Alderman	Sir William Hewett.
1569	,,	Jackman
1573	,,	Sir William Allen.
1580	,,	Sir John Rivers.
1584	,,	Sir Nicholas Woodroffe.
1586	,,	Sir E. Osborne.
1591	,,	Sir G. Barne.
1593	,,	Sir Cuthbert Buckle.
1594	,,	Sir Henry Billingsley.
1610	,,	Sir G. Garrard.
1643	,,	T. Adams.
1649	,,	Thomas Andrews.
1659	,,	Warner.
1660	,,	Sir T. Adams.
1668	,,	Sir William Peak.
1668	,,	Sir John Lawrence.
1691	,,	Sir Robert Clayton.
1707	,,	Sir Thomas Abney.
1721	,,	Sir Gilbert Heathcote.
1732	,,	Sir Gerard Conyers.
1737	,,	Sir John Eyles.
1745	,,	Sir T. Baylis.
1749	,,	Sir J. Thompson.
1750	,,	George Arnold.
1751	,,	Sir Joseph Hankey.
1769	,,	William Nash.
1772	,,	Samuel Plumbe.
1783	,,	Nathaniel Newnham.
1810	,,	Sir Charles Price.
1818	,,	Christopher Smith.
1835	,,	Henry Winchester.
1843	,,	Sir John Pirie.
1851	,,	Sir John Musgrove, Bart.

* This list has not received the advantage of correction by the Clerk of St. Thomas's Hospital.

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